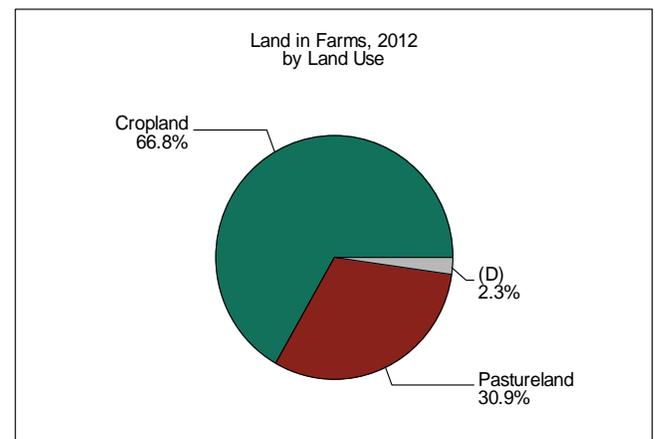
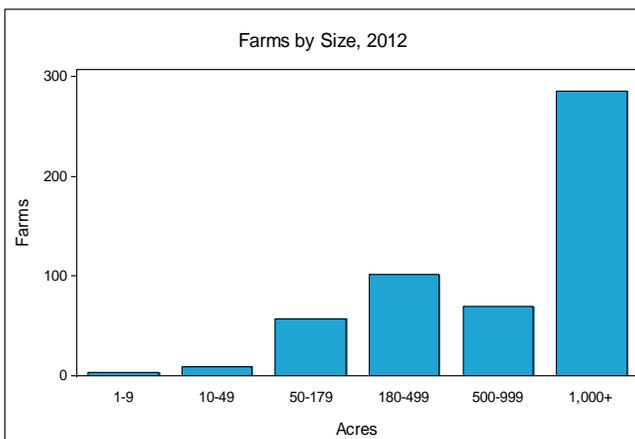
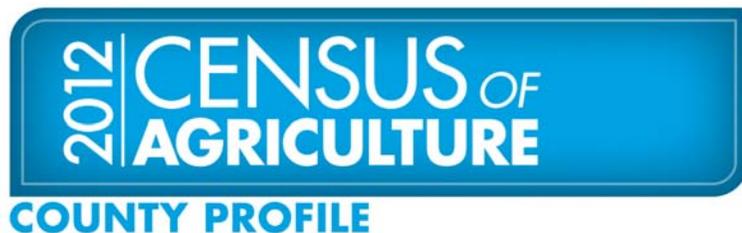


Sheridan County Montana

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	527	602	- 12
Land in Farms	1,041,794 acres	1,065,503 acres	- 2
Average Size of Farm	1,977 acres	1,770 acres	+ 12
Market Value of Products Sold	\$129,751,000	\$90,725,000	+ 43
Crop Sales \$114,836,000 (89 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$14,914,000 (11 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$246,206	\$150,706	+ 63
Government Payments	\$7,618,000	\$8,646,000	- 12
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$16,419	\$16,011	+ 3





Sheridan County – Montana

Ranked items among the 56 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	129,751	9	56	919	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	114,836	4	56	562	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	14,914	45	56	1,853	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	109,331	3	55	425	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	8	39	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	23	-	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	39	42	2,652	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	11	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	33	56	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	14,599	42	56	1,035	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	27	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	17	54	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	120	39	54	1,207	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	38	51	56	2,418	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	16	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	18	45	53	1,958	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Wheat for grain, all	359,291	4	54	8	2,537
Durum wheat for grain	290,643	1	22	2	137
Lentils	70,795	1	34	2	73
Spring wheat for grain	58,715	15	53	66	633
Dry edible peas	43,986	2	42	2	286
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	27,262	39	56	1,048	3,063
Sheep and lambs	1,005	38	55	895	2,897
Horses and ponies	403	49	56	2,271	3,072
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	150	24	46	1,836	2,723
Hogs and pigs	(D)	25	52	(D)	2,889

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	161	Farming	350
\$1,000 to \$2,499	7	Other	177
\$2,500 to \$4,999	10	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	21	Male	448
\$10,000 to \$19,999	7	Female	79
\$20,000 to \$24,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	61.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	30	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	14	American Indian or Alaska Native	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	39	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	77	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	71	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	86	White	729
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	91,840	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	174,270	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	5
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	52,533		
Average per farm (\$)	99,683		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. ² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.