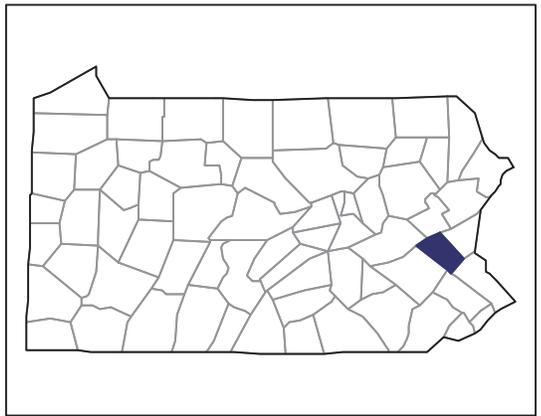


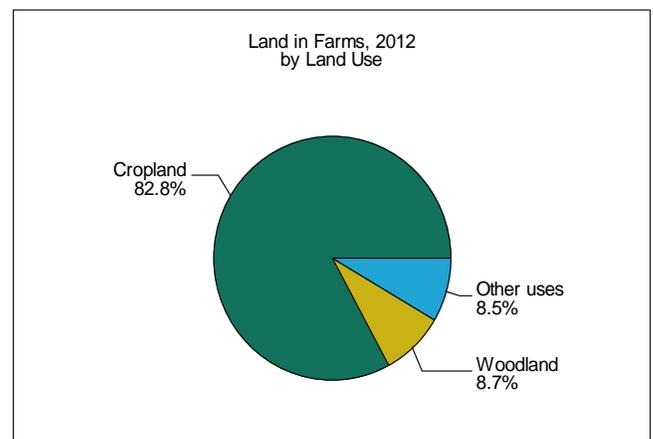
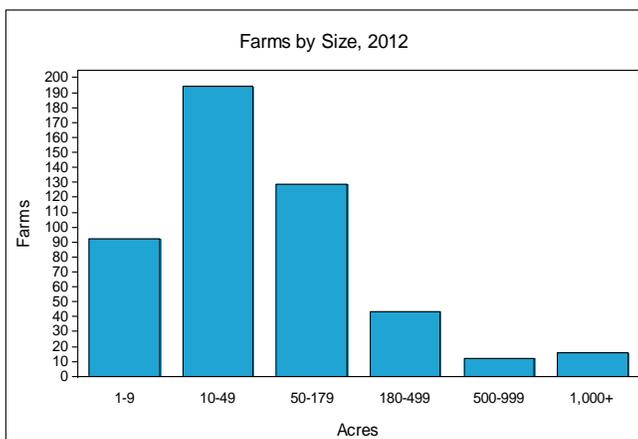
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Lehigh County Pennsylvania

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	486	516	- 6
Land in Farms	76,331 acres	84,643 acres	- 10
Average Size of Farm	157 acres	164 acres	- 4
Market Value of Products Sold	\$90,833,000	\$72,059,000	+ 26
Crop Sales \$63,218,000 (70 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$27,614,000 (30 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$186,899	\$139,650	+ 34
Government Payments	\$701,000	\$984,000	- 29
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,696	\$7,397	- 23





Lehigh County – Pennsylvania

Ranked items among the 67 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	90,833	25	67	1,259	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	63,218	9	67	991	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	27,614	31	67	1,363	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	24,967	15	66	1,149	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	22	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	3,295	15	66	472	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2,885	9	66	257	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	5	66	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	64	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	4,252	25	66	703	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	15	67	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	784	55	67	2,680	3,056
Milk from cows	4,362	50	64	758	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	65	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	157	35	66	983	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	67	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	88	27	54	676	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	130	37	67	957	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	22,217	14	66	927	2,638
Soybeans for beans	16,580	10	66	987	2,162
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,388	49	67	1,436	3,057
Wheat for grain, all	7,137	5	62	830	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	7,137	5	62	745	2,480
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	(D)	1	65	(D)	2,416
Pheasants	(D)	11	47	(D)	963
Cattle and calves	3,864	54	67	2,508	3,063
Hogs and pigs	2,118	29	66	910	2,889
Layers	1,862	52	66	1,354	3,040

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	119	Farming	273
\$1,000 to \$2,499	25	Other	213
\$2,500 to \$4,999	47	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	45	Male	362
\$10,000 to \$19,999	50	Female	124
\$20,000 to \$24,999	17	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	49	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	24	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	40	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	24	Black or African American	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	19	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	27	White	734
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	76,272	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	156,939	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	10
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	18,828		
Average per farm (\$)	38,740		

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.