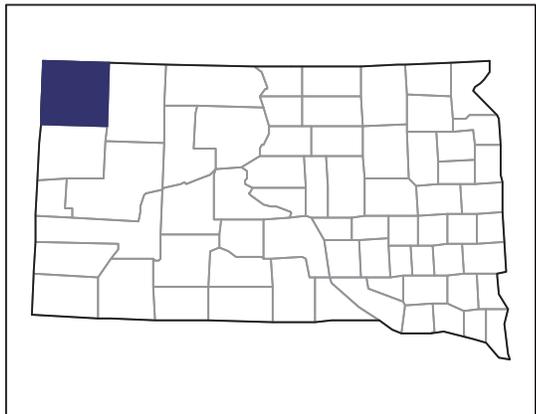


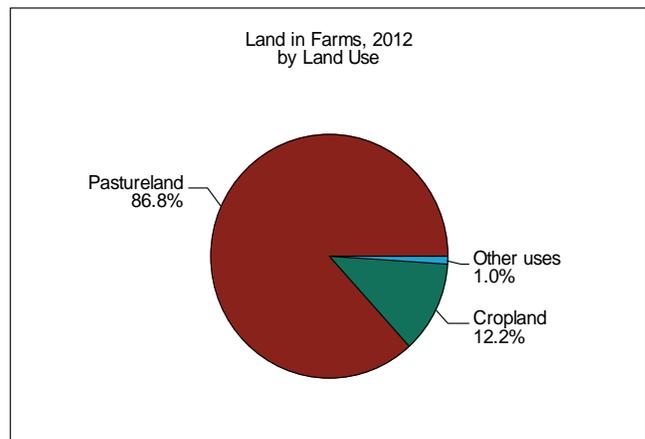
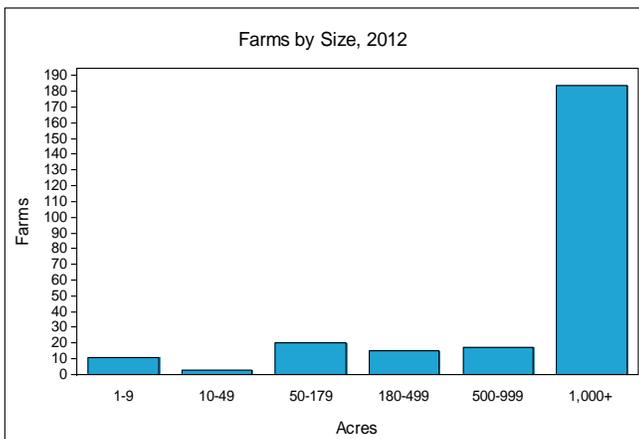
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Harding County South Dakota

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	250	252	- 1
Land in Farms	1,467,327 acres	1,596,101 acres	- 8
Average Size of Farm	5,869 acres	6,334 acres	- 7
Market Value of Products Sold	\$70,407,000	\$41,251,000	+ 71
Crop Sales \$17,114,000 (24 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$53,293,000 (76 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$281,629	\$163,695	+ 72
Government Payments	\$2,729,000	\$2,661,000	+ 3
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$17,720	\$14,541	+ 22





Harding County – South Dakota

Ranked items among the 66 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	70,407	53	66	1,488	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	17,114	60	66	1,801	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	53,293	36	66	863	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	12,000	59	66	1,445	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	41	-	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	31	-	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	37	-	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	7	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	5,114	13	66	573	3,049
Poultry and eggs	8	50	65	2,455	3,013
Cattle and calves	45,330	27	66	312	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	46	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	9	52	59	2,152	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	5,511	2	64	21	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	223	30	66	1,151	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	10	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	2,213	5	61	102	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	74,388	6	66	65	3,057
Wheat for grain, all	28,473	29	66	383	2,537
Spring wheat for grain	23,284	17	63	116	633
Winter wheat for grain	(D)	47	65	(D)	2,480
Barley for grain	2,893	2	33	177	1,158
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	71,226	19	66	258	3,063
Sheep and lambs	27,927	2	65	27	2,897
Bison	2,488	5	39	14	1,126
Horses and ponies	1,318	16	66	855	3,072
Layers	701	32	65	2,134	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	27	Farming	198
\$1,000 to \$2,499	2	Other	52
\$2,500 to \$4,999	7		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	14	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	8	Male	238
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1	Female	12
\$25,000 to \$39,999	14		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	30		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	49	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	46	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$500,000 or more	44	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	52,452	Black or African American	-
Average per farm (\$)	209,810	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	429
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	23,269	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	93,075	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	3

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.