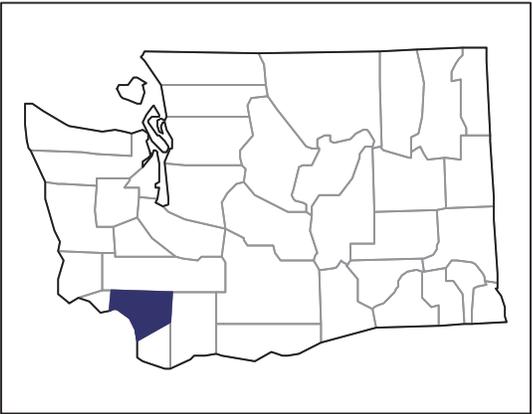


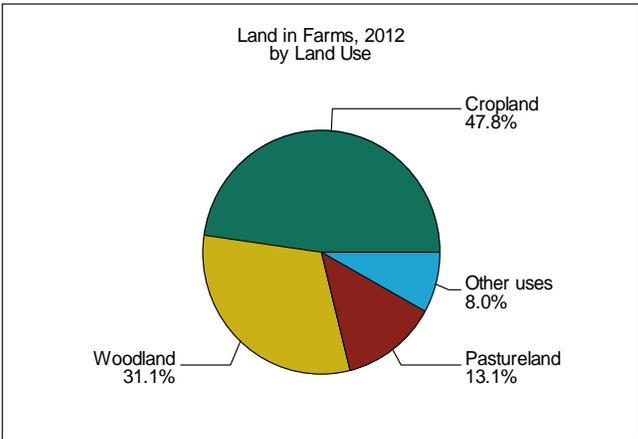
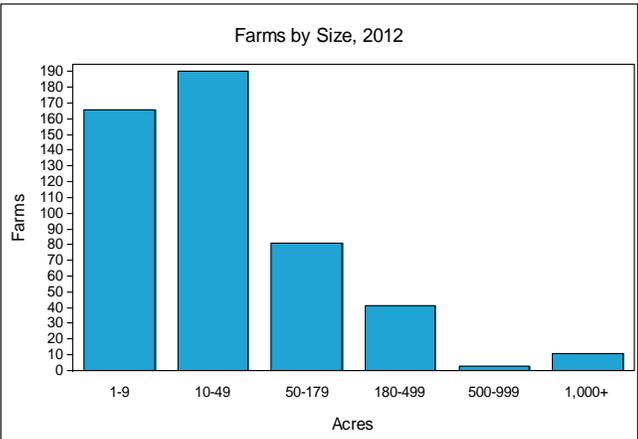
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Cowlitz County Washington

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	492	481	+ 2
Land in Farms	39,009 acres	30,702 acres	+ 27
Average Size of Farm	79 acres	64 acres	+ 23
Market Value of Products Sold	\$28,773,000	\$26,458,000	+ 9
Crop Sales (D)			
Livestock Sales (D)			
Average Per Farm	\$58,481	\$55,007	+ 6
Government Payments	\$44,000	\$29,000	+ 52
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,491	\$3,250	+ 69





Cowlitz County – Washington

Ranked items among the 39 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	28,773	29	39	2,174	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	(D)	(D)	39	(D)	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	(D)	24	39	(D)	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,511	23	34	2,135	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	39	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2,720	17	39	268	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	4,124	14	38	502	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	122	11	33	244	1,530
Other crops and hay	4,571	14	39	644	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	10	39	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,204	32	39	2,556	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	21	30	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	19	31	37	1,838	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	64	32	39	1,736	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	79	30	39	2,011	3,011
Aquaculture	2,205	16	34	124	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	32	30	39	1,667	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Vegetables harvested, all	6,273	9	39	137	2,801
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,851	31	39	2,376	3,057
Field and grass seed crops, all	3,690	6	26	30	583
Sweet corn	3,300	5	36	39	2,416
Peas, green (excluding southern)	2,868	5	35	20	889
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	292,778	3	36	449	2,723
Cattle and calves	3,651	31	39	2,535	3,063
Layers	1,924	26	39	1,327	3,040
Horses and ponies	589	29	39	1,864	3,072
Sheep and lambs	518	26	39	1,407	2,897

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	187	Farming	230
\$1,000 to \$2,499	99	Other	262
\$2,500 to \$4,999	55	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	55	Male	393
\$10,000 to \$19,999	29	Female	99
\$20,000 to \$24,999	7	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	16	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	3	American Indian or Alaska Native	13
\$50,000 to \$99,999	7	Asian	5
\$100,000 to \$249,999	6	Black or African American	2
\$250,000 to \$499,999	7	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	21	White	760
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	31,573	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	64,173	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	5
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-2,098		
Average per farm (\$)	-4,264		

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.