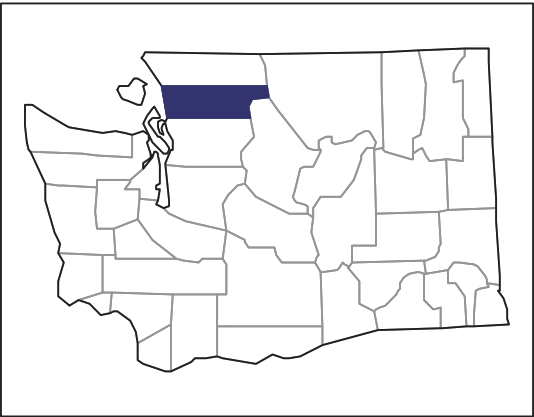


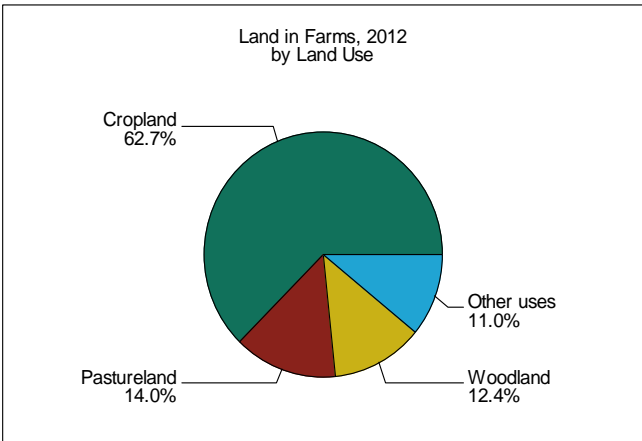
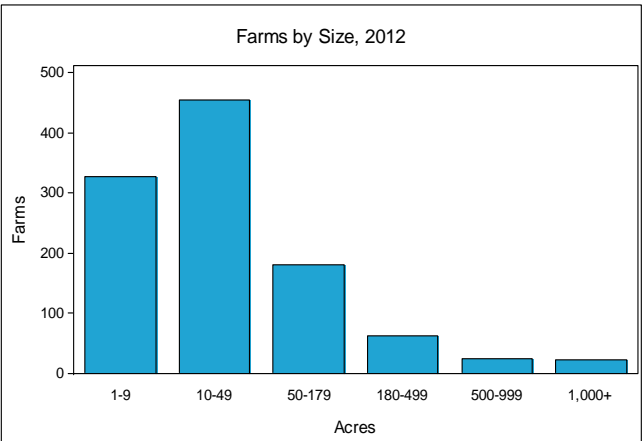
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Skagit County Washington

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	1,074	1,215	- 12
Land in Farms	106,538 acres	108,541 acres	- 2
Average Size of Farm	99 acres	89 acres	+ 11
Market Value of Products Sold	\$272,275,000	\$256,248,000	+ 6
Crop Sales \$201,007,000 (74 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$71,268,000 (26 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$253,515	\$210,904	+ 20
Government Payments	\$1,442,000	\$630,000	+ 129
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$12,121	\$5,835	+ 108





Skagit 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	272,275	10	39	339	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	201,007	10	39	213	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	71,268	12	39	688	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	7,462	15	34	1,625	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	81,726	5	39	35	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	20,227	12	39	105	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	87,388	1	38	33	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	97	14	33	296	1,530
Other crops and hay	4,108	16	39	725	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	12	39	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	9,342	14	39	1,365	3,056
Milk from cows	52,550	5	30	161	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	37	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	209	16	39	768	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	528	13	39	526	3,011
Aquaculture	4,966	8	34	67	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	526	10	39	408	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Vegetables harvested, all	17,880	6	39	51	2,801
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	16,272	15	39	1,170	3,057
Potatoes	12,807	5	36	24	2,354
Wheat for grain, all	7,851	17	32	772	2,537
Corn for silage	7,117	5	24	262	2,237
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers	(D)	8	39	(D)	3,040
Cattle and calves	30,783	9	39	931	3,063
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	7	38	434	2,637
Colonies of bees	(D)	5	39	(D)	2,761
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	2,950	5	36	711	2,723

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	309	Farming	515
\$1,000 to \$2,499	177	Other	559
\$2,500 to \$4,999	159	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	116	Male	817
\$10,000 to \$19,999	61	Female	257
\$20,000 to \$24,999	32	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	28	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	17	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	44	Asian	17
\$100,000 to \$249,999	41	Black or African American	6
\$250,000 to \$499,999	16	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
\$500,000 or more	74	White	1,723
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	252,540	More than one race	9
Average per farm (\$)	235,139	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	54
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	27,933		
Average per farm (\$)	26,008		

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.