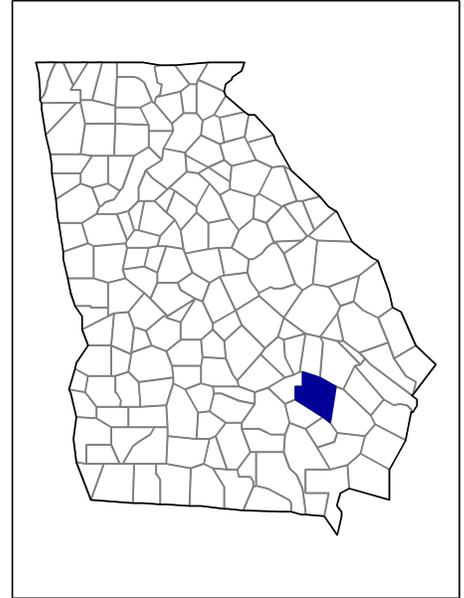




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Number of farms

557 farms in 2002, 620 farms in 1997, down 10 percent.

Land in farms

118,720 acres in 2002, 126,257 acres in 1997, down 6 percent.

Average size of farm

213 acres in 2002, 204 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$55,726,000 in 2002, \$53,549,000 in 1997, up 4 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$20,201,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$35,525,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

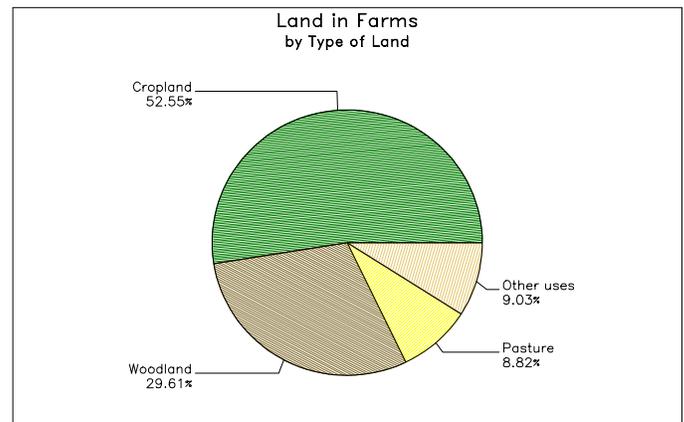
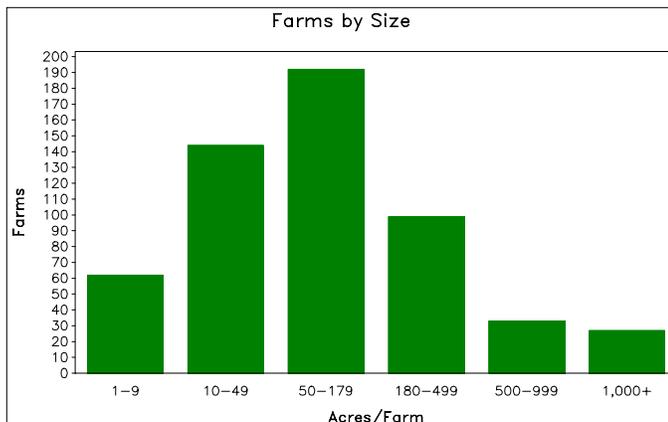
\$100,046 in 2002, \$86,369 in 1997, up 16 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,013,000 in 2002, \$1,124,000 in 1997, up 79 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,632 in 2002, \$4,761 in 1997, up 102 percent.



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Ranked items among the 159 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

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	55,726	22	159	1,030	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	20,201	26	159	1,157	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	35,525	29	159	817	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	150	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	3,315	9	50	143	560
Cotton and cottonseed	10,304	8	93	95	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	732	47	149	865	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2,904	11	151	200	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,408	51	148	949	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	29	20	84	815	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	158	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	142	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,555	66	159	2,321	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	111	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	327	31	135	1,124	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	11	58	152	2,249	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	45	80	151	2,403	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	64	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	108	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	2,054,602	32	111	191	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	45	143	(D)	2,983
Cattle and calves	14,651	23	159	1,759	3,059
Colonies of bees	(D)	3	96	(D)	2,392
Hogs and pigs	2,065	32	141	1,126	2,926
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Cotton	38,054	8	93	94	663
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,439	74	159	2,525	3,059
Soybeans	3,382	8	111	1,273	2,076
Corn for grain	2,733	31	145	1,473	2,592
Corn for silage	1,644	4	85	858	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	168
\$1,000 to \$2,499	76
\$2,500 to \$4,999	61
\$5,000 to \$9,999	54
\$10,000 to \$19,999	28
\$20,000 to \$24,999	15
\$25,000 to \$39,999	29
\$40,000 to \$49,999	14
\$50,000 to \$99,999	29
\$100,000 to \$249,999	28
\$250,000 to \$499,999	31
\$500,000 or more	24
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	47,317
Average per farm (\$)	84,194
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	10,062
Average per farm (\$)	17,903

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	316
Other	241
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	506
Female	51
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.4
All operators ² by race:	
White	792
Black or African American	14
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	15

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

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.