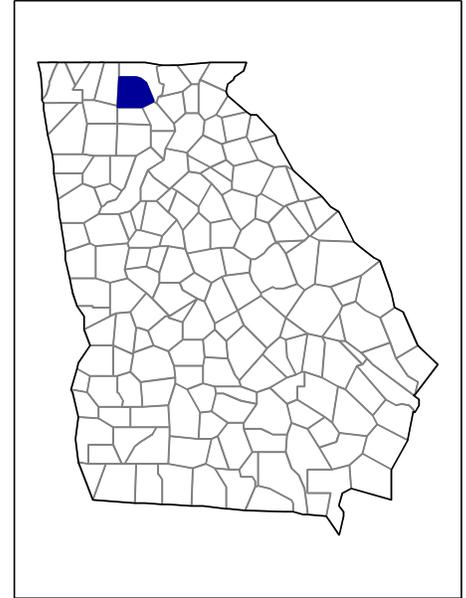




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Number of farms

303 farms in 2002, 313 farms in 1997, down 3 percent.

Land in farms

24,725 acres in 2002, 25,055 acres in 1997, down 1 percent.

Average size of farm

82 acres in 2002, 80 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$98,858,000 in 2002, \$80,198,000 in 1997, up 23 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$1,428,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$97,430,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

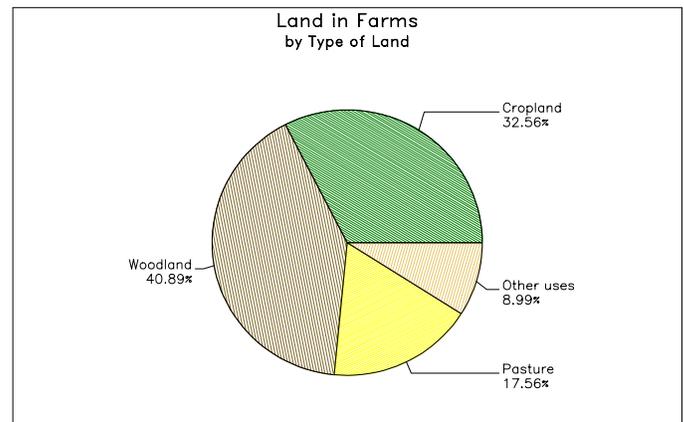
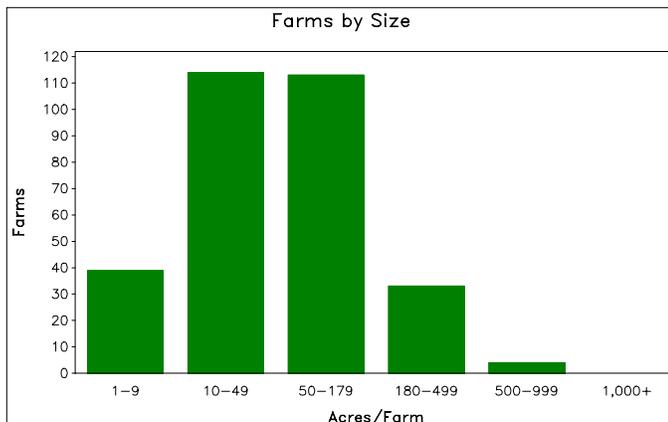
\$326,263 in 2002, \$256,224 in 1997, up 27 percent.

Government Payments

\$149,000 in 2002, \$64,000 in 1997, up 133 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$2,258 in 2002, \$3,224 in 1997, down 30 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 | 98,858 | 15 | 159 | 515 | 3,075 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse | 1,428 | 112 | 159 | 2,618 | 3,070 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products | 97,430 | 10 | 159 | 217 | 3,070 |
| VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas | (D) | (D) | 150 | (D) | 2,871 |
| Tobacco | - | - | 50 | - | 560 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | - | - | 93 | - | 656 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes | (D) | (D) | 149 | (D) | 2,747 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries | 991 | 29 | 151 | 357 | 2,638 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod | 194 | 108 | 148 | 1,829 | 2,708 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops | (D) | (D) | 84 | (D) | 1,774 |
| Other crops and hay | 86 | 136 | 158 | 2,819 | 3,046 |
| Poultry and eggs | 93,084 | 9 | 142 | 61 | 2,918 |
| Cattle and calves | 1,075 | 83 | 159 | 2,517 | 3,053 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows | 1,996 | 31 | 111 | 1,024 | 2,493 |
| Hogs and pigs | (D) | (D) | 135 | (D) | 2,919 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products | 3 | 125 | 152 | 2,762 | 2,997 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys | (D) | (D) | 151 | (D) | 3,014 |
| Aquaculture | (D) | (D) | 64 | (D) | 1,520 |
| Other animals and other animal products | 108 | 16 | 108 | 829 | 2,727 |
| TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number) | | | | | |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens | 8,947,073 | 4 | 111 | 33 | 2,599 |
| Layers 20 weeks old and older | 311,540 | 16 | 143 | 217 | 2,983 |
| Cattle and calves | 5,987 | 91 | 159 | 2,422 | 3,059 |
| Hogs and pigs | (D) | (D) | 141 | (D) | 2,926 |
| Horses and ponies | 281 | 102 | 158 | 2,660 | 3,065 |
| TOP CROP ITEMS (acres) | | | | | |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 3,016 | 83 | 159 | 2,589 | 3,059 |
| Corn for grain | 359 | 85 | 145 | 2,071 | 2,592 |
| Apples | 357 | 1 | 83 | 140 | 2,173 |
| Corn for silage | 166 | 41 | 85 | 1,818 | 2,307 |
| Peaches | 25 | 19 | 95 | 421 | 1,773 |

Other County Highlights

| Economic Characteristics | Quantity |
|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales | |
| Less than \$1,000 | 59 |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499 | 27 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 23 |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 20 |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 17 |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999 | 4 |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999 | 10 |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999 | 1 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 11 |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 | 28 |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 | 30 |
| \$500,000 or more | 73 |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) | 70,194 |
| Average per farm (\$) | 231,664 |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 29,530 |
| Average per farm (\$) | 97,459 |

| Operator Characteristics | Quantity |
|---|----------|
| Principal operators by primary occupation: | |
| Farming | 174 |
| Other | 129 |
| Principal operators by sex: | |
| Male | 266 |
| Female | 37 |
| Average age of principal operator (years) | 53.5 |
| All operators ² by race: | |
| White | 417 |
| Black or African American | - |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | - |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | - |
| Asian | - |
| More than one race | 2 |
| All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin | 3 |

(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.