

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Rabun, Georgia

Number of farms

146 farms in 2002, 160 farms in 1997, down 9 percent.

Land in farms

9,977 acres in 2002, 11,273 acres in 1997, down 11 percent.

Average size of farm

68 acres in 2002, 70 acres in 1997, down 3 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$10,536,000 in 2002, \$13,524,000 in 1997, down 22 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,338,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$8,198,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

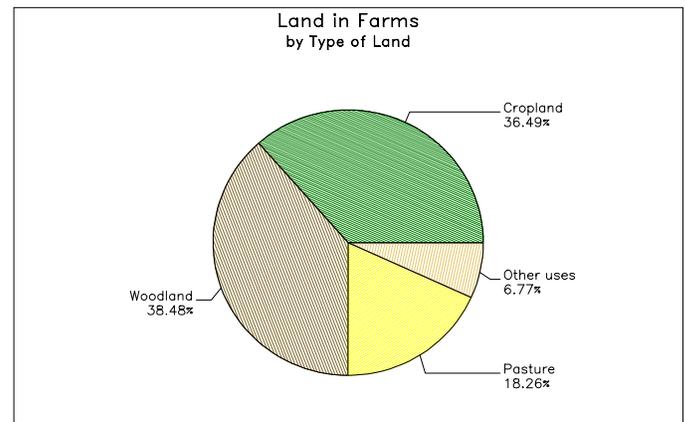
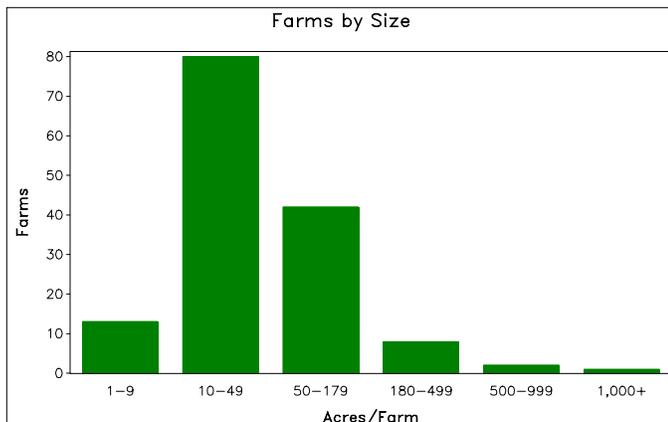
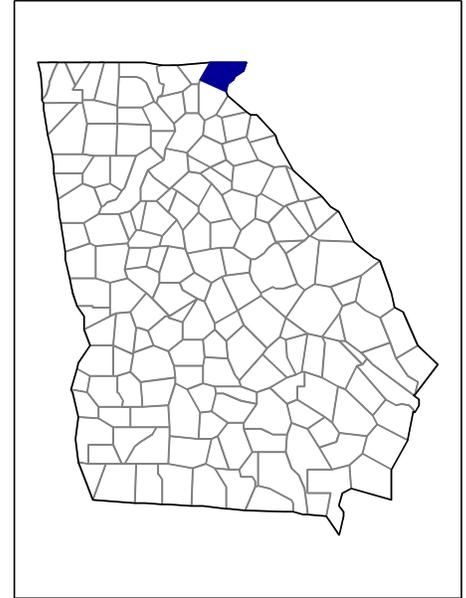
\$72,163 in 2002, \$84,522 in 1997, down 15 percent.

Government Payments

\$14,000 in 2002, (D) in 1997.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$946 in 2002, (D) in 1997.



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United States Department of Agriculture, Georgia Agricultural Statistics Service**

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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	10,536	104	159	2,483	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,338	94	159	2,445	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	8,198	71	159	2,025	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	1,307	36	149	672	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	336	56	151	675	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	594	76	148	1,346	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	84	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	61	142	158	2,880	3,046
Poultry and eggs	7,882	64	142	516	2,918
Cattle and calves	284	141	159	2,860	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	111	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	135	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	152	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	19	127	151	2,779	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	839,200	53	111	313	2,599
Cattle and calves	2,402	131	159	2,773	3,059
Colonies of bees	501	21	96	619	2,392
Horses and ponies	115	137	158	2,937	3,065
Sheep and lambs ³	(D)	(D)	111	(D)	2,867
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	1,352	132	159	2,827	3,059
All Vegetables harvested	500	40	149	637	2,710
Head cabbage	220	6	33	65	1,019
Apples	141	3	83	298	2,173
Sweet corn	(D)	13	128	(D)	2,279

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	41	Farming	64
\$1,000 to \$2,499	42	Other	82
\$2,500 to \$4,999	18	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	10	Male	131
\$10,000 to \$19,999	13	Female	15
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	3	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	White	184
\$50,000 to \$99,999	5	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	3	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	7	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	7,786	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	53,328	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	2,973		
Average per farm (\$)	20,363		

(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.

³ Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.