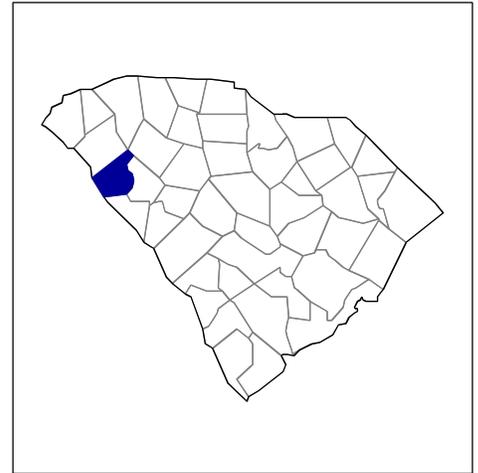




# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Abbeville, South Carolina



### Number of farms

538 farms in 2002, 610 farms in 1997, down 12 percent.

### Land in farms

95,170 acres in 2002, 92,079 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

### Average size of farm

177 acres in 2002, 151 acres in 1997, up 17 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$11,155,000 in 2002, \$8,668,000 in 1997, up 29 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,849,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$8,306,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

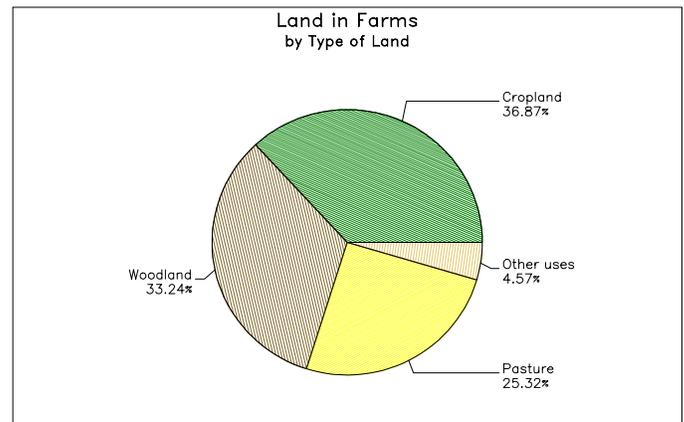
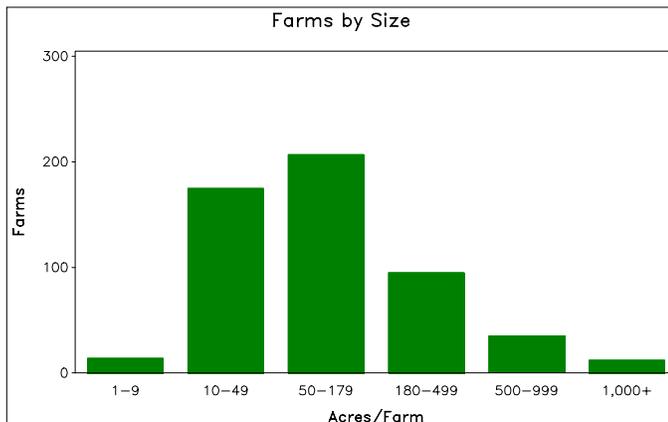
\$20,735 in 2002, \$14,210 in 1997, up 46 percent.

### Government Payments

\$251,000 in 2002, \$131,000 in 1997, up 92 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$2,182 in 2002, \$1,581 in 1997, up 38 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 46 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	11,155	36	46	2,454	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,849	36	46	2,358	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	8,306	25	46	2,015	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	93	37	46	2,400	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	19	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	32	43	46	2,200	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	84	34	45	1,350	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	45	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	5	30	38	1,398	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	45	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	4,243	3	46	1,653	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	34	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	16	32	46	2,128	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	27	9	46	1,698	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	40	34	46	2,471	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	26	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(Z)	33	36	2,603	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	6	44	(D)	2,983
Cattle and calves	19,123	8	46	1,511	3,059
All Goats	1,449	8	46	285	2,971
Horses and ponies	645	25	46	1,851	3,065
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	30	42	(D)	2,599
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,110	11	46	1,584	3,059
All Wheat for grain	595	29	45	1,730	2,517
Nursery stock	(D)	5	42	(D)	2,129
Oats	140	34	45	1,397	2,215
All Cotton <sup>3</sup>	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	663

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	176	Farming	251
\$1,000 to \$2,499	115	Other	287
\$2,500 to \$4,999	79		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	63	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	43	Male	496
\$20,000 to \$24,999	9	Female	42
\$25,000 to \$39,999	17		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	10	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2	White	660
\$500,000 or more	4	Black or African American	53
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	13,050	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Average per farm (\$)	24,212	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	169	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	314	All operators <sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.

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