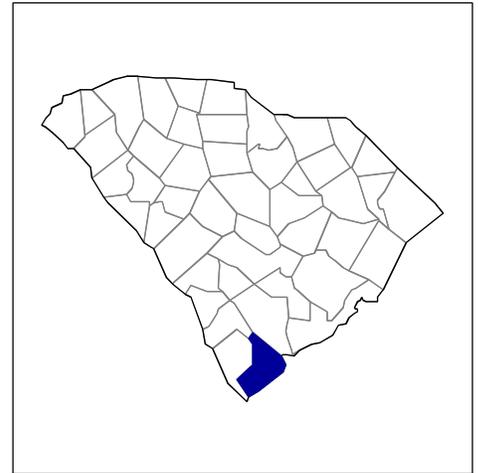


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Number of farms

116 farms in 2002, 129 farms in 1997, down 10 percent.

Land in farms

44,373 acres in 2002, 39,972 acres in 1997, up 11 percent.

Average size of farm

383 acres in 2002, 310 acres in 1997, up 24 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$9,881,000 in 2002, \$8,698,000 in 1997, up 14 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$9,487,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$394,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

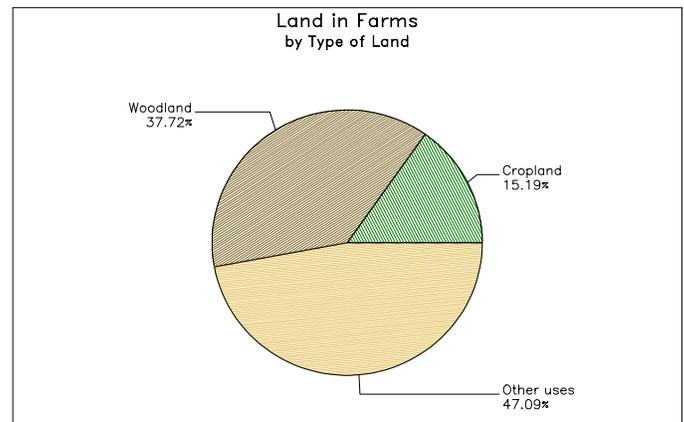
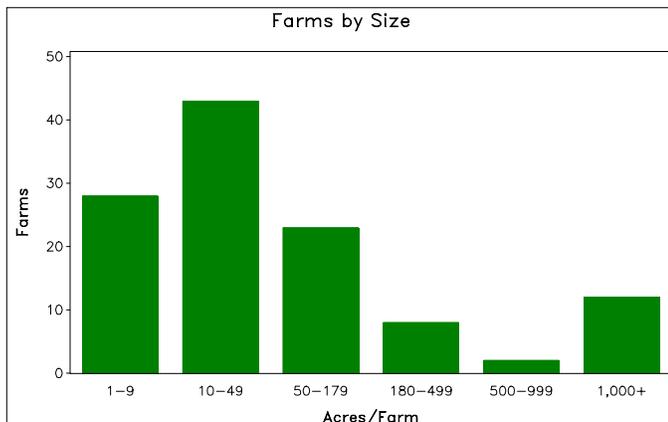
\$85,179 in 2002, \$67,423 in 1997, up 26 percent.

Government Payments

\$24,000 in 2002, \$130,000 in 1997, down 82 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,912 in 2002, \$5,214 in 1997, up 13 percent.



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Ranked items among the 46 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	9,881	38	46	2,510	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	9,487	23	46	1,690	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	394	45	46	2,968	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	57	39	46	2,506	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	19	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	33	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	9,029	3	46	187	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	111	31	45	1,190	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	84	41	45	2,138	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	34	19	38	760	1,774
Other crops and hay	172	32	46	2,597	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	45	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	85	46	46	2,974	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	34	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	49	3	46	1,273	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	84	27	46	1,925	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	26	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	36	-	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Quail	(D)	4	29	(D)	1,412
Cattle and calves	926	46	46	2,929	3,059
Horses and ponies	520	29	46	2,114	3,065
Hogs and pigs	454	30	46	1,682	2,926
All Goats	308	38	46	1,466	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Vegetables harvested	1,612	6	46	328	2,710
Tomatoes	(D)	1	43	(D)	2,209
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	688	46	46	2,927	3,059
Watermelons	(D)	9	41	(D)	1,753
Corn for grain	230	37	44	2,173	2,592

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	42
\$1,000 to \$2,499	13
\$2,500 to \$4,999	15
\$5,000 to \$9,999	15
\$10,000 to \$19,999	14
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	5
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-
\$500,000 or more	3
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	7,203
Average per farm (\$)	62,634
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,807
Average per farm (\$)	41,797

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	51
Other	65
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	90
Female	26
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.3
All operators ² by race:	
White	125
Black or African American	38
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	-

(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.