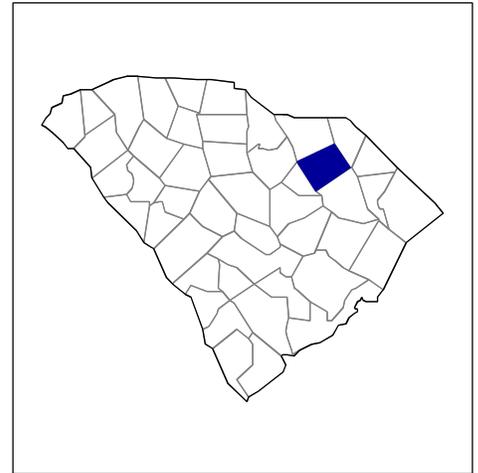


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Number of farms

361 farms in 2002, 433 farms in 1997, down 17 percent.

Land in farms

161,443 acres in 2002, 165,535 acres in 1997, down 2 percent.

Average size of farm

447 acres in 2002, 382 acres in 1997, up 17 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$39,579,000 in 2002, \$63,658,000 in 1997, down 38 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$18,866,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$20,712,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

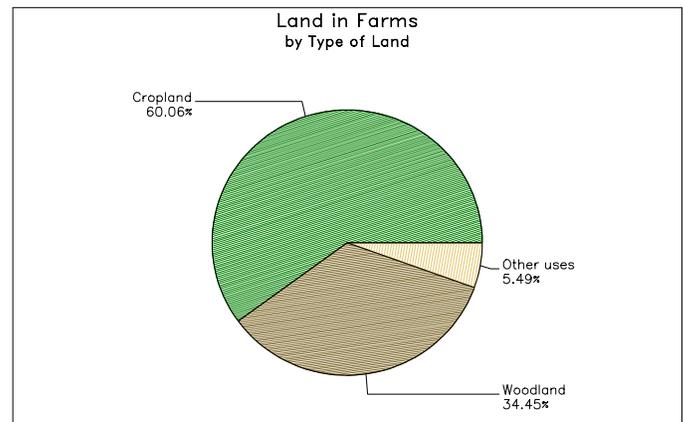
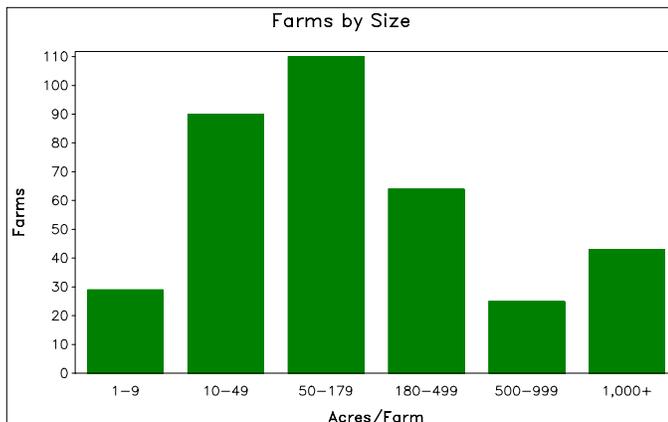
\$109,636 in 2002, \$147,015 in 1997, down 25 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,841,000 in 2002, \$1,483,000 in 1997, up 24 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$12,782 in 2002, \$6,339 in 1997, up 102 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	39,579	16	46	1,440	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	18,866	12	46	1,215	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	20,712	17	46	1,269	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	4,897	8	46	1,245	2,871
Tobacco	7,989	6	19	59	560
Cotton and cottonseed	3,271	3	33	229	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	277	26	46	1,217	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	159	24	45	1,025	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,126	20	45	774	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	38	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	19,576	16	45	313	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	34	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	4	37	46	2,607	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	70	30	46	2,109	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	26	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	36	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	4	44	(D)	2,983
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	512,214	16	42	378	2,599
Turkeys	(D)	12	38	(D)	2,328
Cattle and calves	4,462	31	46	2,575	3,059
Hogs and pigs	824	25	46	1,414	2,926
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	27,583	4	42	745	2,076
All Cotton	20,276	4	33	169	663
All Wheat for grain	11,787	5	45	587	2,517
Corn for grain	10,445	8	44	1,038	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,122	29	46	2,573	3,059

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	142	Farming	191
\$1,000 to \$2,499	22	Other	170
\$2,500 to \$4,999	24		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	31	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	20	Male	315
\$20,000 to \$24,999	14	Female	46
\$25,000 to \$39,999	12		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	12	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	26		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	23	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	17	White	401
\$500,000 or more	18	Black or African American	48
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	42,917	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	118,230	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,361	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	12,013	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2

(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.