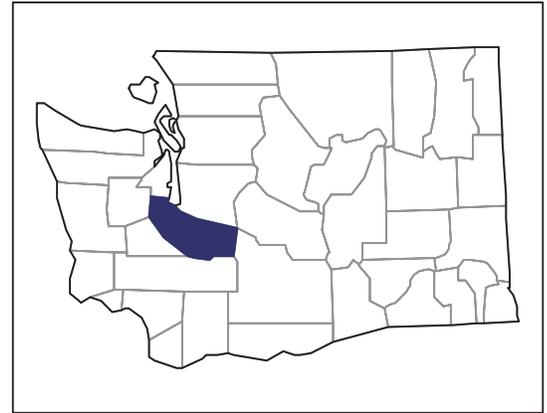


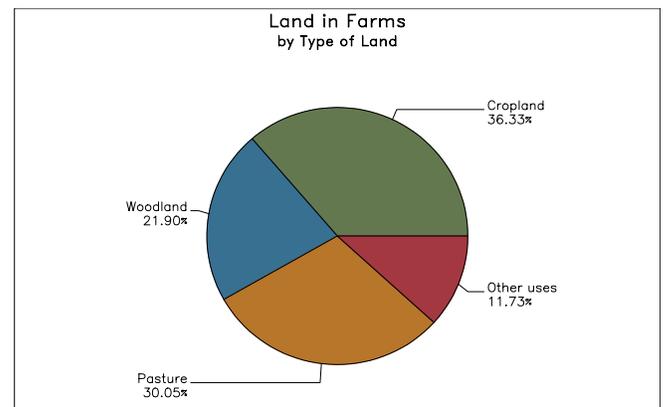
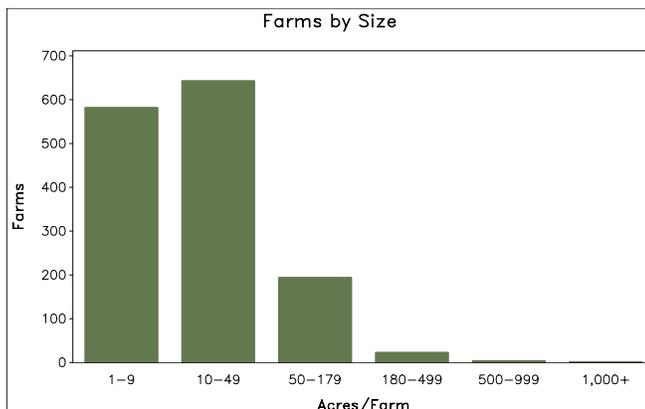
# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## County Profile

### Pierce County Washington



|   | 2007         | 2002         | % change |
|---|--------------|--------------|----------|
| <b>Number of Farms</b>                    | 1,448        | 1,474        | - 2      |
| <b>Land in Farms</b>                      | 47,677 acres | 57,224 acres | - 17     |
| <b>Average Size of Farm</b>               | 33 acres     | 39 acres     | - 15     |
| <b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>      | \$83,402,000 | \$94,170,000 | - 11     |
| Crop Sales \$32,323,000 (39 percent)      |              |              |          |
| Livestock Sales \$51,079,000 (61 percent) |              |              |          |
| Average Per Farm                          | \$57,598     | \$63,887     | - 10     |
| <b>Government Payments</b>                | \$68,000     | \$212,000    | - 68     |
| Average Per Farm Receiving Payments       | \$4,011      | \$6,058      | - 34     |



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### Pierce County – Washington

#### Ranked items among the 39 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

| 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                               | 83,402   | 19         | 39                    | 1,065     | 3,076                 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse                         | 32,323   | 21         | 39                    | 1,156     | 3,072                 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products                         | 51,079   | 13         | 39                    | 781       | 3,069                 |
| <b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>                      |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas                               | -        | -          | 36                    | -         | 2,933                 |
| Tobacco   | -        | -          | -                     | -         | 437                   |
| Cotton and cottonseed   | -        | -          | -                     | -         | 626                   |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes                        | 9,007    | 9          | 37                    | 207       | 2,796                 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries  | (D)      | 17         | 39                    | (D)       | 2,659                 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod                              | 18,646   | 6          | 38                    | 165       | 2,703                 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops                      | (D)      | 4          | 33                    | (D)       | 1,710                 |
| Other crops and hay   | 513      | 29         | 39                    | 2,139     | 3,054                 |
| Poultry and eggs  | (D)      | 4          | 39                    | (D)       | 3,020                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 3,989    | 23         | 39                    | 1,861     | 3,054                 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows                                 | (D)      | 12         | 34                    | (D)       | 2,493                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 113      | 14         | 37                    | 1,356     | 2,922                 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products  | 130      | 19         | 39                    | 898       | 2,998                 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys                              | 1,727    | 4          | 39                    | 105       | 3,024                 |
| Aquaculture   | 10,684   | 5          | 34                    | 30        | 1,498                 |
| Other animals and other animal products                                 | 762      | 8          | 39                    | 269       | 2,875                 |
| <b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>   |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 7,493    | 22         | 39                    | 1,980     | 3,060                 |
| Vegetables harvested for sale   | 1,622    | 15         | 37                    | 391       | 2,794                 |
| Nursery stock   | 879      | 3          | 36                    | 110       | 2,130                 |
| Cut Christmas trees   | 741      | 4          | 35                    | 68        | 1,756                 |
| Rhubarb   | 332      | 1          | 13                    | 2         | 290                   |
| <b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>                           |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Layers  | (D)      | 3          | 39                    | (D)       | 3,024                 |
| Pullets for laying flock replacement                                    | (D)      | 3          | 37                    | (D)       | 2,627                 |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens                                   | (D)      | 5          | 36                    | (D)       | 2,476                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 10,022   | 22         | 39                    | 1,995     | 3,060                 |
| Horses and ponies   | 5,040    | 6          | 39                    | 73        | 3,066                 |

#### Other County Highlights

| Economic Characteristics                    | Quantity | Operator Characteristics  | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales:                    |          | Principal operators by primary occupation:                        |          |
| Less than \$1,000                           | 662      | Farming   | 607      |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499                          | 210      | Other   | 841      |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999                          | 182      | Principal operators by sex:                                       |          |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999                          | 161      | Male  | 977      |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999                        | 74       | Female  | 471      |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999                        | 22       | Average age of principal operator (years)                         | 57.6     |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999                        | 28       | All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :                              |          |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999                        | 11       | American Indian or Alaska Native                                  | 30       |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999                        | 33       | Asian   | 54       |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999                      | 22       | Black or African American   | 8        |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999                      | 14       | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander                         | 5        |
| \$500,000 or more                           | 29       | White   | 2,258    |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)    | 83,374   | More than one race  | 46       |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 57,578   | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup> | 59       |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 4,577    |   |          |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 3,161    |   |          |

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

<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.