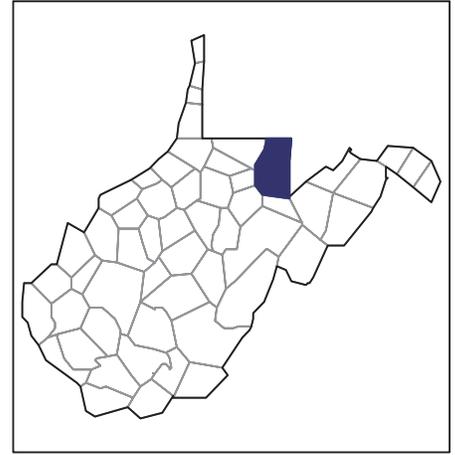


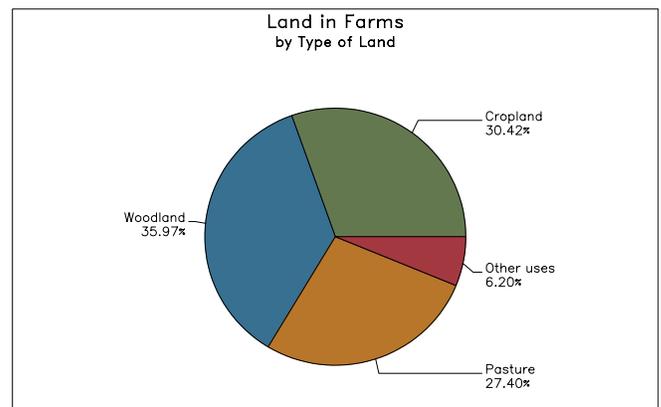
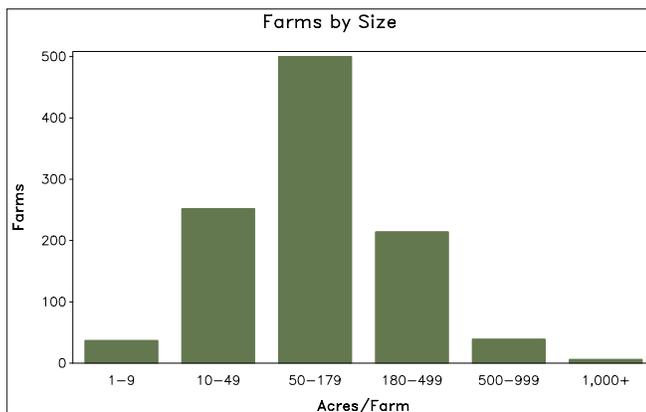
# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## County Profile

### Preston, West Virginia



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,048	917	+ 14
<b>Land in Farms</b>	152,276 acres	142,296 acres	+ 7
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	145 acres	155 acres	- 6
<b>Market Value of Production</b>	\$13,644,000	\$10,235,000	+ 33
Crop Sales \$2,487,000 (18 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$11,157,000 (82 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$13,019	\$11,161	+ 17
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$72,000	\$238,000	- 70
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$1,037	\$3,170	- 67



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#### Ranked items among the 55 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	13,644	11	55	2,458	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,487	6	55	2,513	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	11,157	9	55	1,967	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	346	6	48	2,225	2,933
Tobacco	(-)	(-)	9	(-)	437
Cotton and cottonseed	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	403	3	51	1,166	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	11	19	48	2,206	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	77	29	52	2,110	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	27	10	41	803	1,710
Other crops and hay	1,622	1	55	1,055	3,054
Poultry and eggs	39	11	55	1,790	3,020
Cattle and calves	6,419	8	55	1,538	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	4,081	2	26	790	2,493
Hogs and pigs	90	3	54	1,402	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	254	2	52	505	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	238	3	54	977	3,024
Aquaculture	(-)	(-)	27	(-)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	35	12	54	1,516	2,875
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	19,710	5	55	1,433	3,060
Sheep and lambs	2,942	3	49	362	2,891
Layers	1,992	9	55	1,115	3,024
Horses and ponies	1,413	6	55	932	3,066
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	731	7	35	982	2,476
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	33,602	1	55	598	3,060
Corn for grain	1,850	5	46	1,709	2,634
Corn for silage	1,055	7	42	974	2,263
Oats for grain	618	1	21	577	1,957
Vegetables harvested, all	213	2	51	1,015	2,794

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	259	Farming	480
\$1,000 to \$2,499	190	Other	568
\$2,500 to \$4,999	160		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	162	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	129	Male	916
\$20,000 to \$24,999	36	Female	132
\$25,000 to \$39,999	47		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	29	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	21		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	9	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4	American Indian or Alaska Native	(-)
\$500,000 or more	2	Asian	(-)
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	13,931	Black or African American	3
Average per farm (\$)	13,293	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	(-)
		White	1,526
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	691	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	660	All operators <sup>2</sup> 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.

<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.