

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Elbert, Georgia

Number of farms

438 farms in 2002, 386 farms in 1997, up 13 percent.

Land in farms

63,429 acres in 2002, 60,462 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

Average size of farm

145 acres in 2002, 157 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$23,136,000 in 2002, \$14,509,000 in 1997, up 59 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,989,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$20,146,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

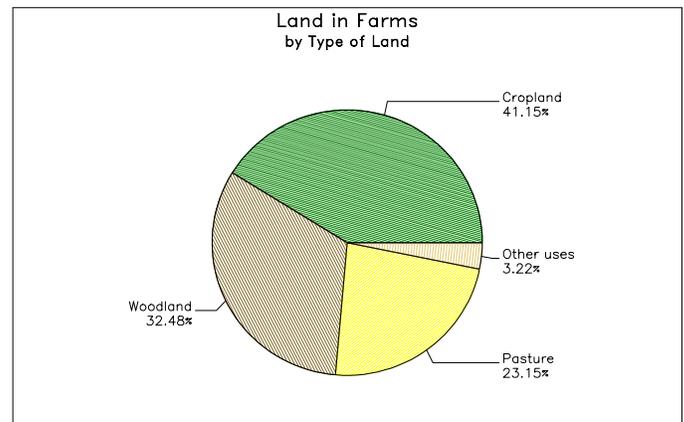
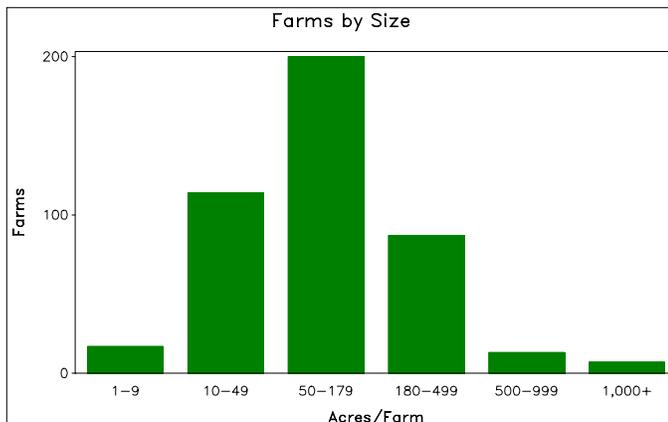
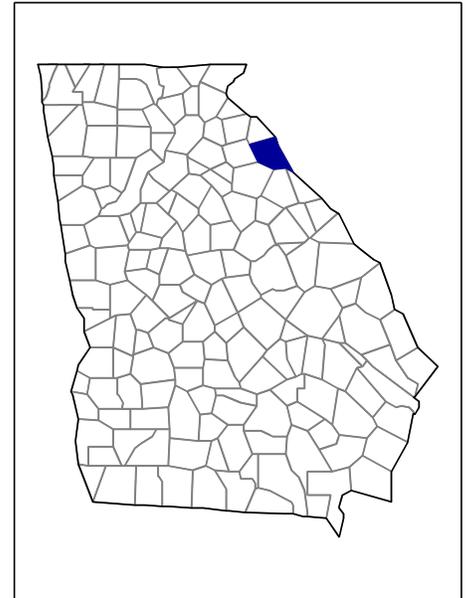
\$52,821 in 2002, \$37,587 in 1997, up 41 percent.

Government Payments

\$397,000 in 2002, \$181,000 in 1997, up 119 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$2,320 in 2002, \$2,290 in 1997, up 1 percent.



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Ranked items among the 159 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	23,136	72	159	1,954	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,989	86	159	2,342	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	20,146	44	159	1,290	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	32	121	150	2,591	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	50	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	104	85	149	1,705	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	64	101	151	1,473	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	148	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	84	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	888	48	158	1,365	3,046
Poultry and eggs	14,578	45	142	363	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,953	45	159	2,186	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	3,529	13	111	764	2,493
Hogs and pigs	3	105	135	2,611	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	10	59	152	2,277	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	72	61	151	2,076	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	64	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	108	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,598,120	38	111	224	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	77,281	37	143	440	2,983
Cattle and calves	13,949	25	159	1,797	3,059
Horses and ponies	510	55	158	2,136	3,065
All Goats	466	58	155	1,057	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,058	14	159	1,877	3,059
All Cotton	2,201	66	93	409	663
Corn for grain	(D)	77	145	(D)	2,592
Corn for silage ³	(D)	(D)	85	(D)	2,307
Sorghum for silage ³	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	1,387

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	163	Farming	211
\$1,000 to \$2,499	63	Other	227
\$2,500 to \$4,999	86	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	42	Male	381
\$10,000 to \$19,999	26	Female	57
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	16	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	White	575
\$50,000 to \$99,999	5	Black or African American	12
\$100,000 to \$249,999	6	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$250,000 to \$499,999	11	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	14	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	21,787	More than one race	10
Average per farm (\$)	49,628	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	14
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,266		
Average per farm (\$)	2,885		

(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.

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