

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Fayette, Georgia

Number of farms

235 farms in 2002, 241 farms in 1997, down 2 percent.

Land in farms

18,039 acres in 2002, 20,914 acres in 1997, down 14 percent.

Average size of farm

77 acres in 2002, 87 acres in 1997, down 11 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$4,196,000 in 2002, \$4,309,000 in 1997, down 3 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$3,293,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$904,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

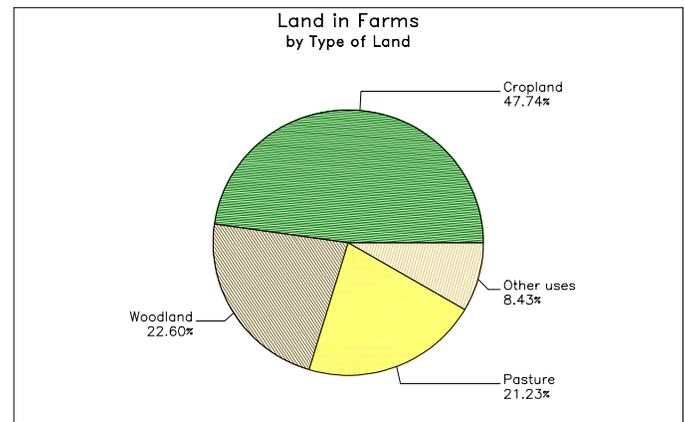
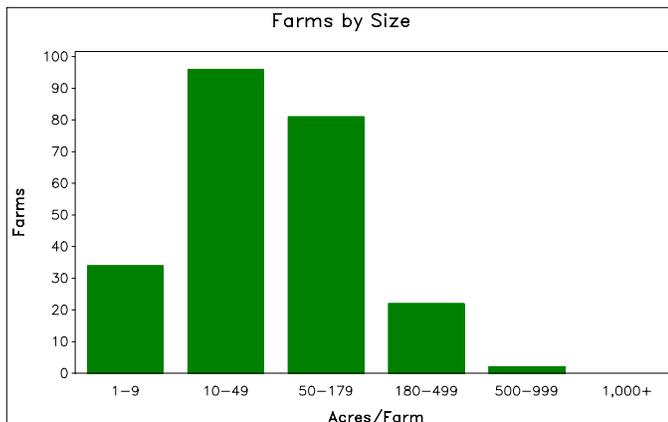
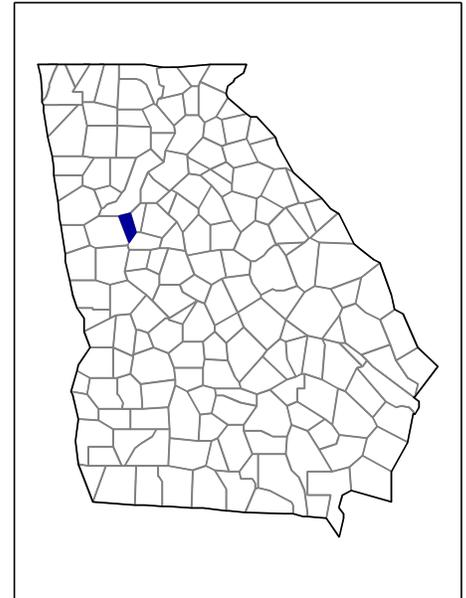
\$17,857 in 2002, \$17,879 in 1997, down slightly.

Government Payments

\$97,000 in 2002, \$53,000 in 1997, up 83 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,033 in 2002, \$2,106 in 1997, up 44 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	4,196	130	159	2,812	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	3,293	83	159	2,301	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	904	139	159	2,886	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	150	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	50	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	93	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	70	94	149	1,894	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	196	70	151	911	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,802	29	148	666	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	84	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	136	120	158	2,696	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	142	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	580	119	159	2,714	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	111	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	-	-	135	-	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	152	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	309	15	151	708	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	64	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	9	47	108	1,864	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	3,228	124	159	2,690	3,059
Horses and ponies	542	49	158	2,068	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	87	143	(D)	2,983
All Goats	149	121	155	2,047	2,971
Deer	(D)	2	9	(D)	1,080
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,024	111	159	2,737	3,059
Cut Christmas trees	170	3	89	440	1,877
All Wheat for grain	(D)	111	129	(D)	2,517
Pecans ³	(D)	(D)	139	(D)	1,194
Corn for grain ³	(D)	(D)	145	(D)	2,592

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	84	Farming	103
\$1,000 to \$2,499	43	Other	132
\$2,500 to \$4,999	28	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	25	Male	187
\$10,000 to \$19,999	40	Female	48
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	3	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	White	340
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2	Black or African American	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	2	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	3,478	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	14,802	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	7
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,115		
Average per farm (\$)	4,746		

(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.