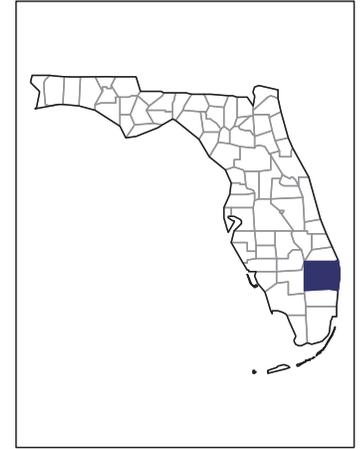


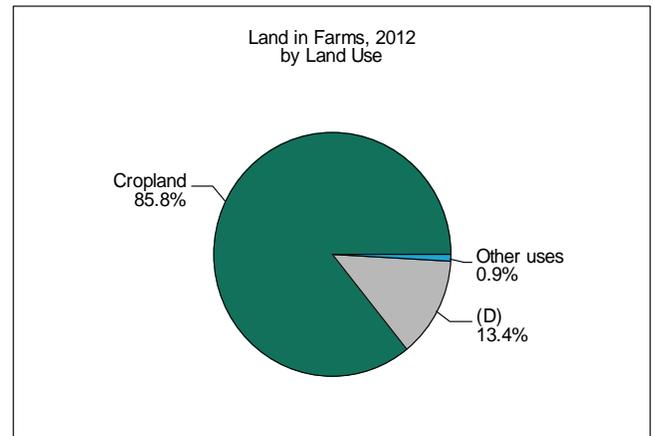
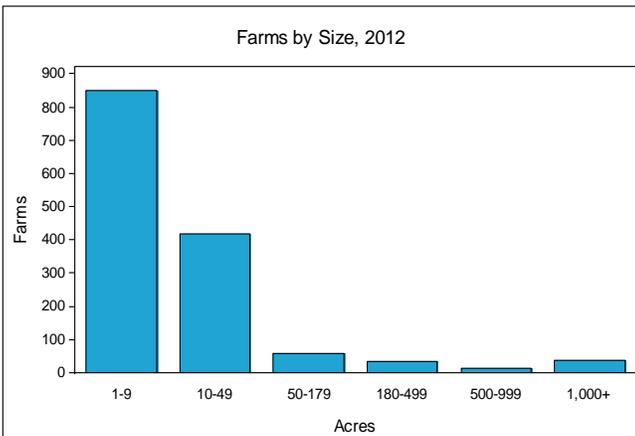
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Palm Beach County Florida

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	1,409	1,263	+ 12
Land in Farms	513,943 acres	525,658 acres	- 2
Average Size of Farm	365 acres	416 acres	- 12
Market Value of Products Sold	\$999,038,000	\$931,731,000	+ 7
Crop Sales \$982,049,000 (98 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$16,990,000 (2 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$709,041	\$737,712	- 4
Government Payments	\$1,536,000	\$2,455,000	- 37
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$18,072	\$31,889	- 43





Palm Beach County – Florida

Ranked items among the 67 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	999,038	1	67	30	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	982,049	1	67	14	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	16,990	26	67	1,749	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	13,127	1	53	1,408	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	5	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	17	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	332,870	1	64	7	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	28	65	272	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	154,514	3	64	11	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	34	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	478,819	1	66	2	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	36	66	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	3,334	35	67	2,062	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	33	33	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	6	46	64	2,311	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	256	6	64	663	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	11,048	2	66	10	3,011
Aquaculture	123	32	55	606	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	2,103	5	67	110	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Sugarcane for sugar	285,304	1	18	1	49
Vegetables harvested, all	60,762	1	64	13	2,801
Sweet corn	22,918	1	57	5	2,416
Sod harvested	15,007	1	41	1	690
Sugarcane for seed	13,712	1	14	1	44
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Colonies of bees	15,291	4	67	45	2,761
Cattle and calves	9,333	37	67	1,986	3,063
Horses and ponies	7,007	2	67	24	3,072
Layers	3,249	23	66	999	3,040
Goats, all	1,490	12	65	324	2,996

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	442	Farming	799
\$1,000 to \$2,499	106	Other	610
\$2,500 to \$4,999	130		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	122	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	113	Male	949
\$20,000 to \$24,999	56	Female	460
\$25,000 to \$39,999	70		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	32	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	110		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	80	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	39	American Indian or Alaska Native	7
\$500,000 or more	109	Asian	79
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	805,090	Black or African American	60
Average per farm (\$)	571,391	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	7
		White	2,001
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	209,154	More than one race	52
Average per farm (\$)	148,441	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	358

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

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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.