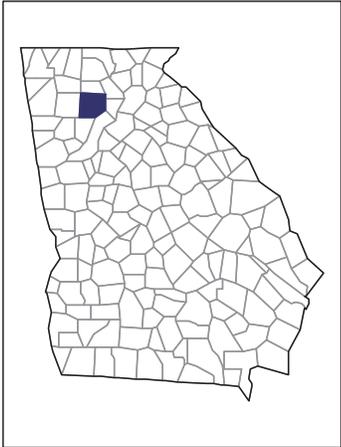


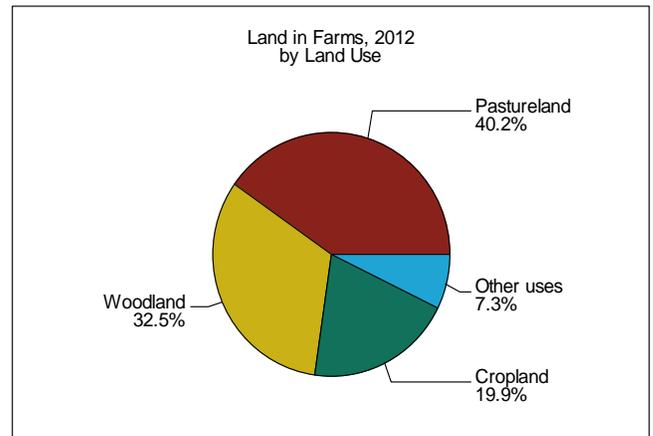
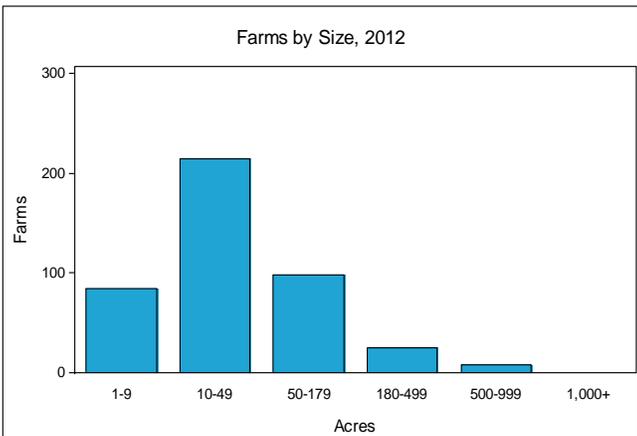
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Cherokee County Georgia

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	430	452	- 5
Land in Farms	25,173 acres	23,409 acres	+ 8
Average Size of Farm	59 acres	52 acres	+ 13
Market Value of Products Sold	\$44,043,000	\$40,494,000	+ 9
Crop Sales \$6,421,000 (15 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$37,622,000 (85 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$102,426	\$89,588	+ 14
Government Payments	\$16,000	\$51,000	- 69
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$1,245	\$1,594	- 22





Cherokee County – Georgia

Ranked items among the 159 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	44,043	69	159	1,871	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	6,421	79	159	2,314	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	37,622	40	159	1,100	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	6	145	151	2,858	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	29	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	84	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	471	39	152	1,122	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	156	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	5,276	12	144	416	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	2	65	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	288	115	157	2,660	3,049
Poultry and eggs	34,430	40	153	319	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,493	84	158	2,468	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	67	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	124	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	60	28	154	1,779	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,455	1	143	154	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	23	57	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	136	16	135	940	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,726	61	159	2,401	3,057
Vegetables harvested, all	148	38	152	1,095	2,801
Sweet corn	(D)	10	134	(D)	2,416
Nursery stock crops	74	21	113	653	2,077
Potatoes	46	4	103	351	2,354
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	838,057	57	132	328	2,723
Layers	36,820	46	156	529	3,040
Cattle and calves	4,920	76	158	2,397	3,063
Roosters	4,240	40	105	301	2,120
Horses and ponies	1,455	3	159	755	3,072

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	174	Farming	211
\$1,000 to \$2,499	37	Other	219
\$2,500 to \$4,999	49	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	51	Male	330
\$10,000 to \$19,999	37	Female	100
\$20,000 to \$24,999	13	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	5	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	13	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	12	Black or African American	4
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	26	White	677
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	42,093	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	97,891	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,308		
Average per farm (\$)	10,019		

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.