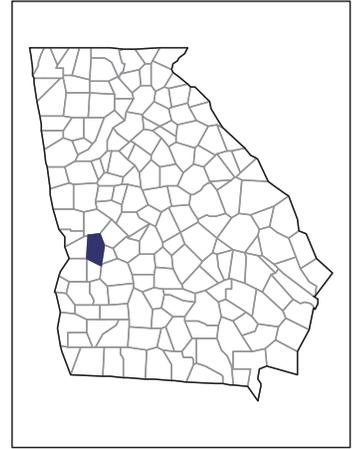


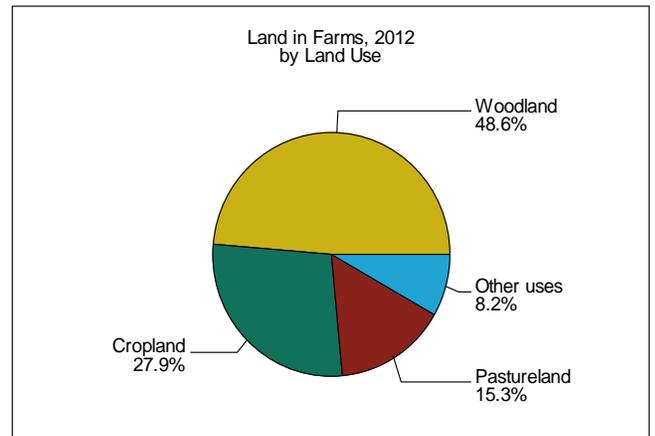
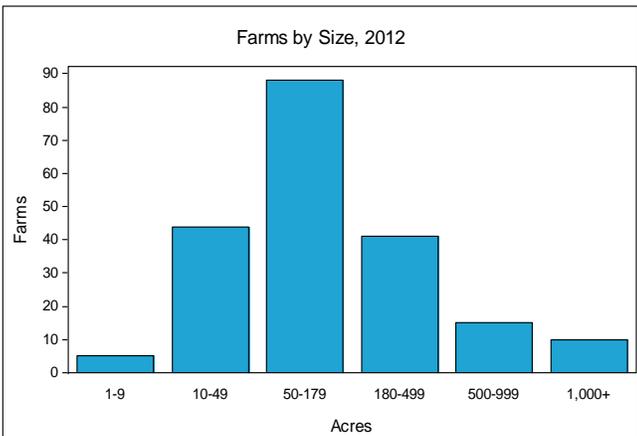
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE

Marion County Georgia



| | 2012 | 2007 | % change |
|--|--------------|--------------|----------|
| Number of Farms | 203 | 185 | + 10 |
| Land in Farms | 47,370 acres | 46,628 acres | + 2 |
| Average Size of Farm | 233 acres | 252 acres | - 8 |
| Market Value of Products Sold | \$27,368,000 | \$32,059,000 | - 15 |
| Crop Sales \$5,717,000 (21 percent) | | | |
| Livestock Sales \$21,651,000 (79 percent) | | | |
| Average Per Farm | \$134,819 | \$173,291 | - 22 |
| Government Payments | \$367,000 | \$372,000 | - 1 |
| Average Per Farm Receiving Payments | \$4,313 | \$6,411 | - 33 |





Marion 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 | 27,368 | 91 | 159 | 2,202 | 3,077 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse | 5,717 | 82 | 159 | 2,365 | 3,072 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products | 21,651 | 62 | 159 | 1,558 | 3,076 |
| VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas | 2,194 | 64 | 151 | 2,031 | 2,926 |
| Tobacco | - | - | 29 | - | 436 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | 80 | 80 | 84 | 597 | 635 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes | 420 | 44 | 152 | 1,169 | 2,802 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries | 103 | 101 | 156 | 1,407 | 2,724 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod | 698 | 65 | 144 | 1,215 | 2,678 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops | - | - | 65 | - | 1,530 |
| Other crops and hay | 2,222 | 59 | 157 | 1,245 | 3,049 |
| Poultry and eggs | 20,872 | 54 | 153 | 433 | 3,013 |
| Cattle and calves | 700 | 113 | 158 | 2,708 | 3,056 |
| Milk from cows | - | - | 67 | - | 2,038 |
| Hogs and pigs | (D) | 45 | 124 | (D) | 2,827 |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk | 34 | 50 | 154 | 2,160 | 2,988 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys | (D) | 54 | 143 | (D) | 3,011 |
| Aquaculture | - | - | 57 | - | 1,366 |
| Other animals and other animal products | (Z) | 121 | 135 | 2,863 | 2,924 |
| TOP CROP ITEMS (acres) | | | | | |
| Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 3,827 | 57 | 159 | 2,381 | 3,057 |
| Soybeans for beans | 1,613 | 43 | 115 | 1,589 | 2,162 |
| Peanuts for nuts | 1,178 | 60 | 75 | 186 | 364 |
| Corn for grain | 1,144 | 59 | 139 | 1,870 | 2,638 |
| Rye for grain | 808 | 8 | 83 | 53 | 950 |
| TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number) | | | | | |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens | 1,423,020 | 46 | 132 | 257 | 2,723 |
| Pullets for laying flock replacement | (D) | (D) | 116 | (D) | 2,637 |
| Layers | (D) | 58 | 156 | (D) | 3,040 |
| Quail | 4,500 | 21 | 46 | 135 | 944 |
| Cattle and calves | 2,780 | 103 | 158 | 2,633 | 3,063 |

Other County Highlights, 2012

| Economic Characteristics | Quantity | Operator Characteristics | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales: | | Principal operators by primary occupation: | |
| Less than \$1,000 | 78 | Farming | 86 |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499 | 23 | Other | 117 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 20 | | |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 14 | Principal operators by sex: | |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 17 | Male | 170 |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999 | 6 | Female | 33 |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999 | 12 | | |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999 | 2 | Average age of principal operator (years) | 56.9 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 11 | | |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 | 7 | All operators by race ² : | |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 | 4 | American Indian or Alaska Native | - |
| \$500,000 or more | 9 | Asian | 6 |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) | 23,866 | Black or African American | 23 |
| Average per farm (\$) | 117,565 | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | - |
| | | White | 264 |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 4,851 | More than one race | 1 |
| Average per farm (\$) | 23,894 | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ² | 6 |

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. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

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.