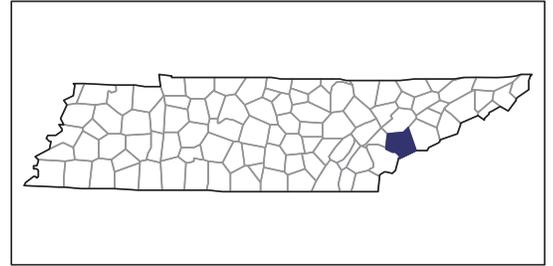


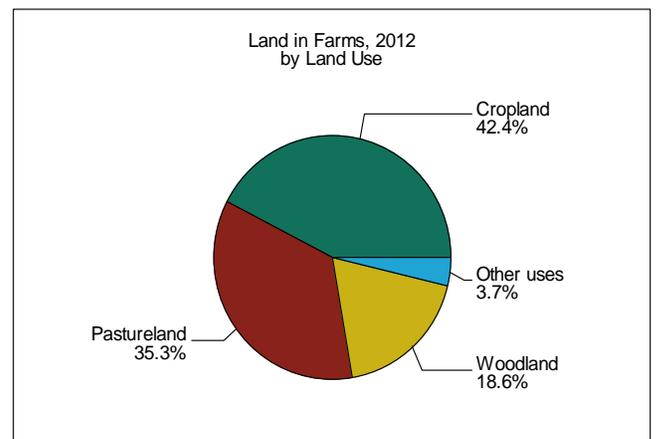
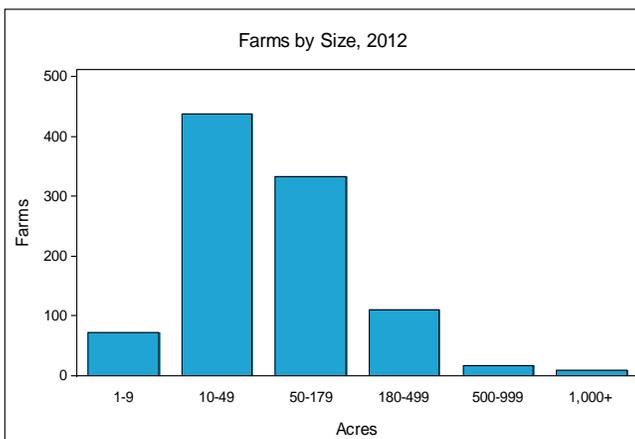
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Blount County Tennessee

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	980	1,154	- 15
Land in Farms	100,717 acres	98,403 acres	+ 2
Average Size of Farm	103 acres	85 acres	+ 21
Market Value of Products Sold	\$16,994,000	\$17,370,000	- 2
Crop Sales \$6,214,000 (37 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$10,780,000 (63 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$17,341	\$15,052	+ 15
Government Payments	\$234,000	\$103,000	+ 127
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$2,147	\$906	+ 137





Blount County – Tennessee

Ranked items among the 95 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	16,994	60	95	2,462	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	6,214	56	95	2,328	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	10,780	44	95	2,049	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	3,315	44	95	1,898	2,926
Tobacco	69	37	56	326	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	25	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	720	15	94	962	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	147	14	91	1,233	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,156	27	93	1,017	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	30	8	44	626	1,530
Other crops and hay	776	17	95	2,116	3,049
Poultry and eggs	52	51	94	1,610	3,013
Cattle and calves	8,345	39	95	1,444	3,056
Milk from cows	1,898	23	71	1,055	2,038
Hogs and pigs	9	65	88	2,141	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	42	60	94	2,032	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	312	18	94	878	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	38	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	122	12	95	987	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	27,248	19	95	697	3,057
Soybeans for beans	2,952	45	87	1,417	2,162
Corn for grain	1,635	55	95	1,778	2,638
Wheat for grain, all	1,364	33	81	1,525	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	1,364	33	81	1,460	2,480
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	26,206	25	95	1,087	3,063
Layers	2,721	34	94	1,094	3,040
Quail	(D)	9	39	(D)	944
Horses and ponies	1,602	17	95	658	3,072
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,200	35	93	888	2,723

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	291	Farming	447
\$1,000 to \$2,499	160	Other	533
\$2,500 to \$4,999	124	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	124	Male	875
\$10,000 to \$19,999	128	Female	105
\$20,000 to \$24,999	41	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	50	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	22	Asian	8
\$100,000 to \$249,999	21	Black or African American	4
\$250,000 to \$499,999	6	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	6	White	1,447
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	20,934	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	21,362	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	9
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-2,129		
Average per farm (\$)	-2,173		

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.