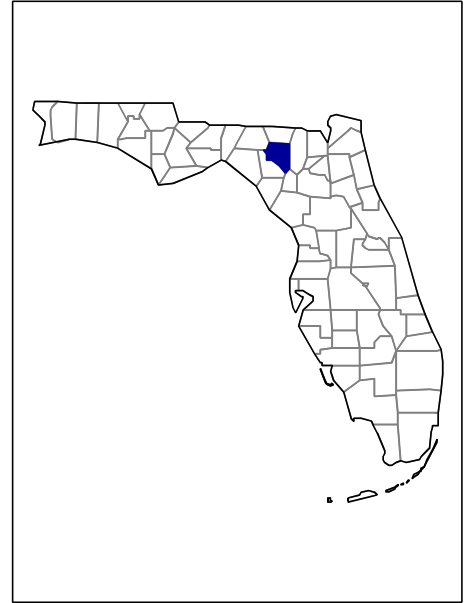




# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Suwannee, Florida



### Number of farms

1,054 farms in 2002, 1,066 farms in 1997, down 1 percent.

### Land in farms

170,149 acres in 2002, 165,375 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

### Average size of farm

161 acres in 2002, 155 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$135,960,000 in 2002, \$133,524,000 in 1997, up 2 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$32,497,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$103,464,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

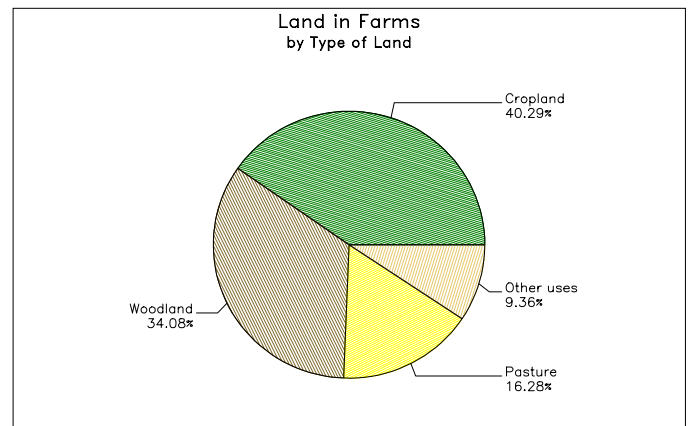
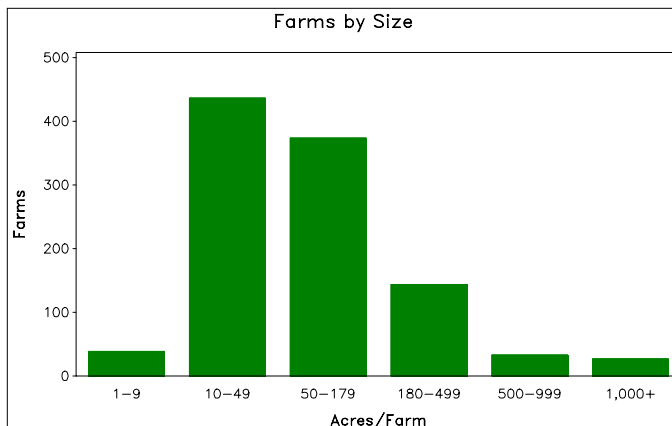
\$128,995 in 2002, \$125,257 in 1997, up 3 percent.

### Government Payments

\$1,163,000 in 2002, \$928,000 in 1997, up 25 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$10,766 in 2002, \$7,607 in 1997, up 42 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 67 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	135,960	14	67	299	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	32,497	29	66	804	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	103,464	2	67	198	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,490	4	49	1,669	2,871
Tobacco	5,350	1	14	92	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	12	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	16,216	9	62	120	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	65	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	4,307	40	65	499	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	36	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	4,070	7	61	299	3,046
Poultry and eggs	76,278	1	66	73	2,918
Cattle and calves	6,299	17	66	1,338	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	20,208	6	52	222	2,493
Hogs and pigs	55	17	61	1,660	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	25	15	65	1,760	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	289	19	64	759	3,014
Aquaculture	33	36	53	761	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	276	28	65	465	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	5,839,793	1	57	73	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	322,268	7	65	212	2,983
Cattle and calves	41,253	15	66	741	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,203	10	65	401	3,065
Quail	(D)	10	37	(D)	1,412
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	17,562	4	65	1,221	3,059
All Vegetables harvested	6,945	7	62	102	2,710
Peanuts	4,218	5	30	79	398
Corn for silage	3,528	3	29	498	2,307
Sweet corn	(D)	3	50	(D)	2,279

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	330	Farming	615
\$1,000 to \$2,499	149	Other	439
\$2,500 to \$4,999	136		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	113	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	73	Male	880
\$20,000 to \$24,999	18	Female	174
\$25,000 to \$39,999	40		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	14	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	32		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	35	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	32	White	1,527
\$500,000 or more	82	Black or African American	36
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	97,466	American Indian or Alaska Native	16
Average per farm (\$)	92,649	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	8
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	41,802	More than one race	9
Average per farm (\$)	39,736	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	50

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.