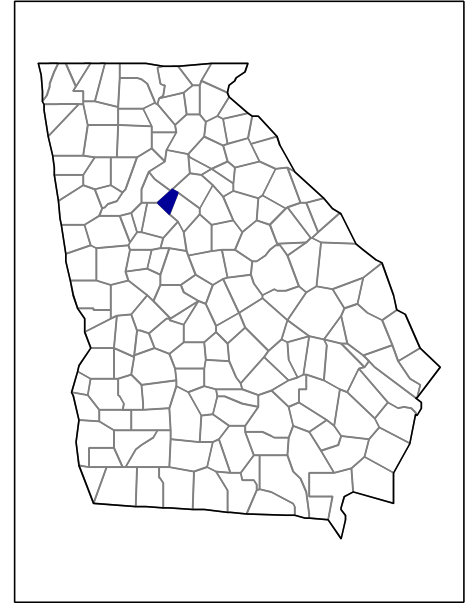# 2002 Census of Agriculture
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Number of farms
140 farms in 2002, 146 farms in 1997, down 4 percent.

Land in farms
8,789 acres in 2002, 13,521 acres in 1997, down 35 percent.

Average size of farm
63 acres in 2002, 93 acres in 1997, down 32 percent.

Market Value of Production
$852,000 in 2002, $1,336,000 in 1997, down 36 percent.
   Crop sales accounted for $385,000 of the total value in 2002.
   Livestock sales accounted for $467,000 of the total value in 2002.
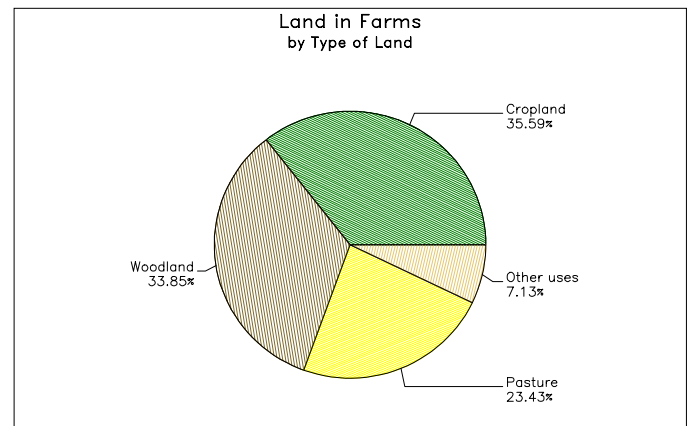
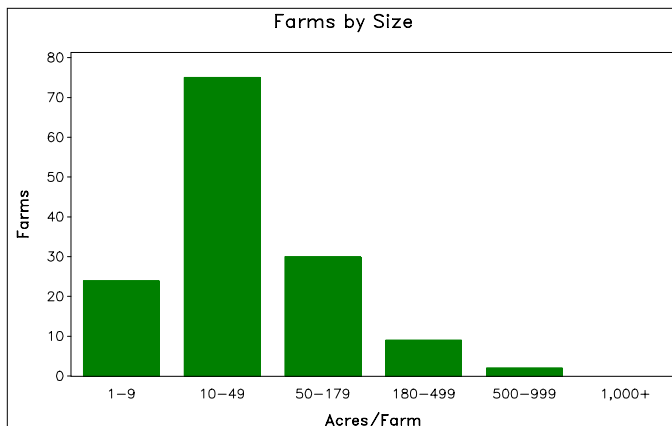**Market Value of Production, average per farm**
$6,083 in 2002, $9,147 in 1997, down 33 percent.

Government Payments
$67,000 in 2002, $22,000 in 1997, up 205 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments
$4,497 in 2002, $1,997 in 1997, up 125 percent.

Farms by Size

Land in Farms by Type of Land

- Cropland 35.59%
- Other uses 7.13%
- Pasture 23.43%
- Woodland 33.85%

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Ranked items among the 159 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

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	852	155	159	3,012	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	385	144	159	2,932	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	467	147	159	2,958	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP ($1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	6	142	150	2,768	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	50	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	93	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	34	118	149	2,171	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	151	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	140	115	148	1,963	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	84	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	162	110	158	2,624	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	142	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	280	142	159	2,863	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	111	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	-	-	135	-	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	152	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	99	49	151	1,771	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	64	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	108	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	923	149	159	2,930	3,059
Horses and ponies	696	32	158	1,754	3,065
Sheep and lambs	213	16	111	1,939	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	170	85	143	2,548	2,983
All Goats	130	125	155	2,126	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	1,318	133	159	2,831	3,059
All Wheat for grain	30	122	129	2,377	2,517
All Vegetables harvested	8	127	149	2,294	2,710
Apples [3]	(D)	(D)	83	(D)	2,173
Cut Christmas trees [3]	(D)	(D)	89	(D)	1,877

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than $1,000	75
$1,000 to $2,499	16
$2,500 to $4,999	18
$5,000 to $9,999	14
$10,000 to $19,999	11
$20,000 to $24,999	-
$25,000 to $39,999	1
$40,000 to $49,999	2
$50,000 to $99,999	2
$100,000 to $249,999	-
$250,000 to $499,999	1
$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses ($1,000)	2,181
Average per farm ($)	15,579
Net cash farm income of operation ($1,000)	-501
Average per farm ($)	-3,577

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	54
Other	86
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	103
Female	37
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.8
All operators [2] by race:	
White	195
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	2
More than one race	4
All operators [2] of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.
[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.
[3] Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.