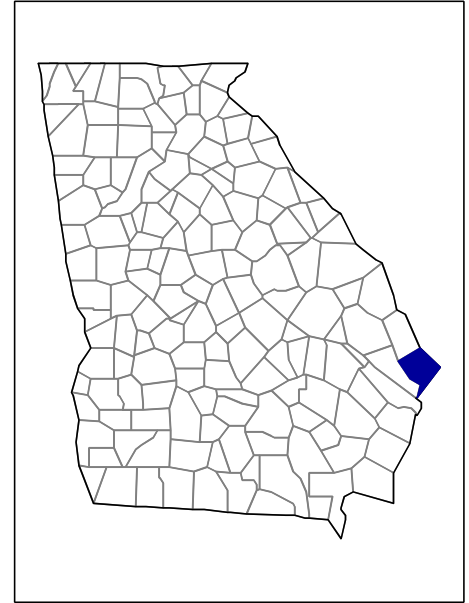


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Number of farms

58 farms in 2002, 50 farms in 1997, up 16 percent.

Land in farms

9,080 acres in 2002, 9,393 acres in 1997, down 3 percent.

Average size of farm

157 acres in 2002, 188 acres in 1997, down 16 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$2,096,000 in 2002, \$3,076,000 in 1997, down 32 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$1,896,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$200,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

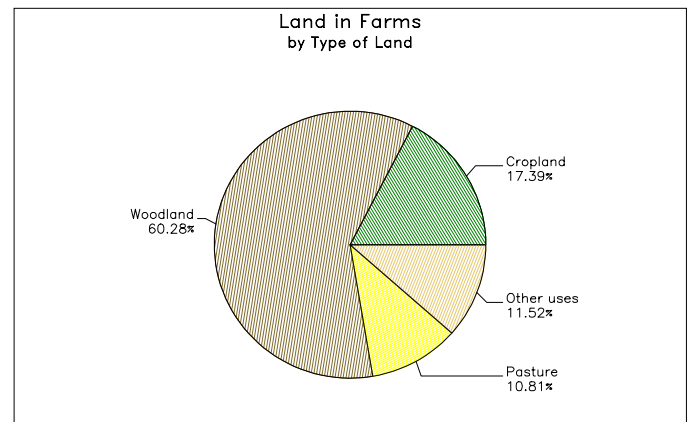
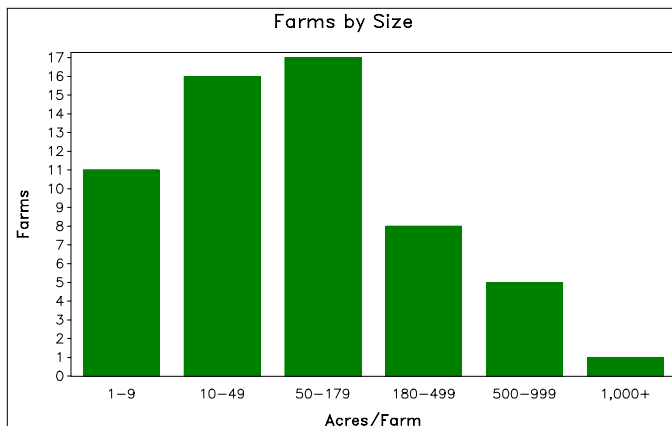
\$36,137 in 2002, \$61,521 in 1997, down 41 percent.

Government Payments

\$32,000 in 2002, \$32,000 in 1997, unchanged.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,175 in 2002, \$2,478 in 1997, up 28 percent.



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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	2,096	143	159	2,943	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,896	100	159	2,522	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	200	152	159	3,010	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	150	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	50	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	93	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	149	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	10	143	151	2,217	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,815	41	148	841	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	84	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	50	146	158	2,899	3,046
Poultry and eggs	-	-	142	-	2,918
Cattle and calves	128	152	159	2,950	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	(D)	(D)	151	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	64	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	108	-	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	904	150	159	2,933	3,059
Horses and ponies	124	134	158	2,920	3,065
Hogs and pigs	25	112	141	2,706	2,926
All Goats	21	149	155	2,764	2,971
Mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	94	127	(D)	2,649
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	512	148	159	2,954	3,059
Nursery stock	(D)	18	120	(D)	2,129
Corn for grain	102	107	145	2,303	2,592
Floriculture crops	39	2	104	213	1,801
Pecans	(D)	127	139	(D)	1,194

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	19
\$1,000 to \$2,499	-
\$2,500 to \$4,999	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	5
\$10,000 to \$19,999	6
\$20,000 to \$24,999	3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	6
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6
\$100,000 to \$249,999	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2
\$500,000 or more	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	1,794
Average per farm (\$)	32,031
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	543
Average per farm (\$)	9,694

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	30
Other	28
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	47
Female	11
Average age of principal operator (years)	61.7
All operators ² by race:	
White	68
Black or African American	8
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
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.