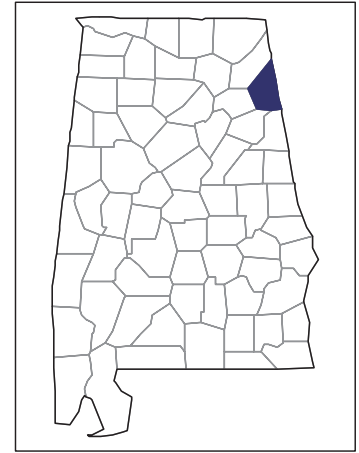


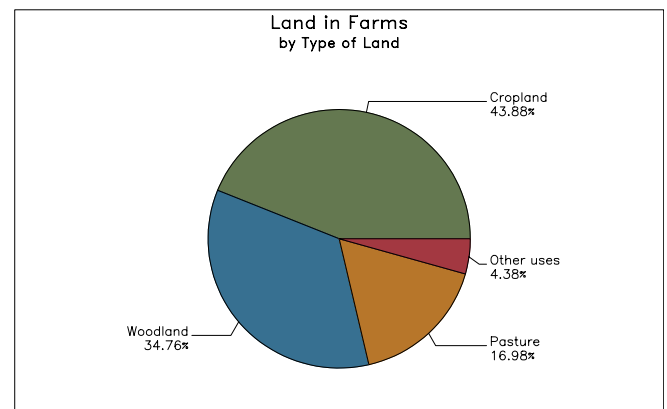
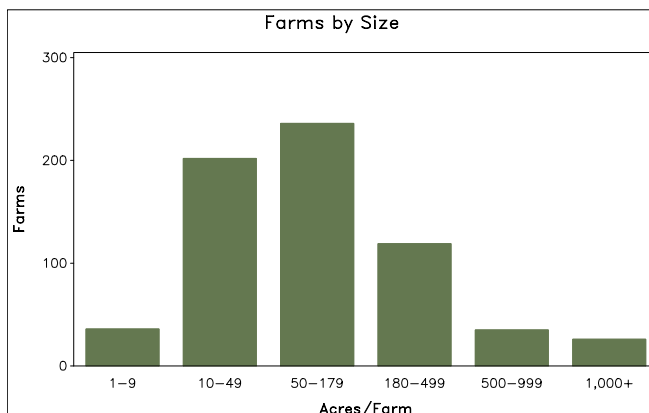
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## County Profile

### Cherokee County Alabama



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	654	546	+ 20
<b>Land in Farms</b>	132,918 acres	121,406 acres	+ 9
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	203 acres	222 acres	- 9
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$60,001,000	\$33,920,000	+ 77
Crop Sales \$16,974,000 (28 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$43,026,000 (72 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$91,744	\$62,124	+ 48
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$2,838,000	\$2,135,000	+ 33
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$9,719	\$10,023	- 3



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#### Ranked items among the 67 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

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	60,001	27	67	1,395	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	16,974	11	67	1,562	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	43,026	28	67	888	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,476	15	67	1,724	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	3,908	13	51	227	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	179	32	67	1,558	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	118	42	67	1,327	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	9,406	5	62	306	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	30	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	888	33	67	1,654	3,054
Poultry and eggs	39,436	26	67	264	3,020
Cattle and calves	2,676	54	67	2,120	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	27	51	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	10	65	(D)	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	20	44	67	2,283	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	67	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	56	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	8	36	64	2,104	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Cotton, all	13,451	11	51	193	627
Soybeans for beans	12,137	4	55	979	2,039
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	11,088	35	67	1,610	3,060
Corn for grain	4,959	15	67	1,417	2,634
Wheat for grain, all	1,647	15	53	1,431	2,481
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	2,320,864	25	61	194	2,476
Layers	(D)	8	67	(D)	3,024
Cattle and calves	9,883	50	67	2,012	3,060
Quail	(D)	20	52	(D)	1,386
Hogs and pigs	1,808	12	64	1,082	2,958

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	236	Farming	216
\$1,000 to \$2,499	81	Other	438
\$2,500 to \$4,999	59	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	85	Male	587
\$10,000 to \$19,999	69	Female	67
\$20,000 to \$24,999	15	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	29	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	10
\$50,000 to \$99,999	28	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	19	Black or African American	5
\$250,000 to \$499,999	8	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	18	White	924
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	54,560	More than one race	6
Average per farm (\$)	83,425	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	9,939		
Average per farm (\$)	15,198		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

<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.