

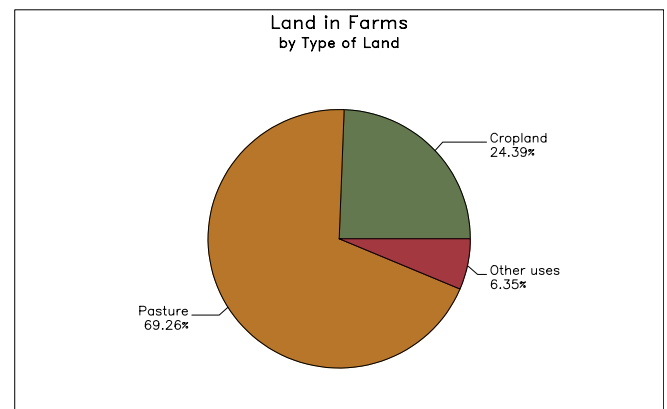
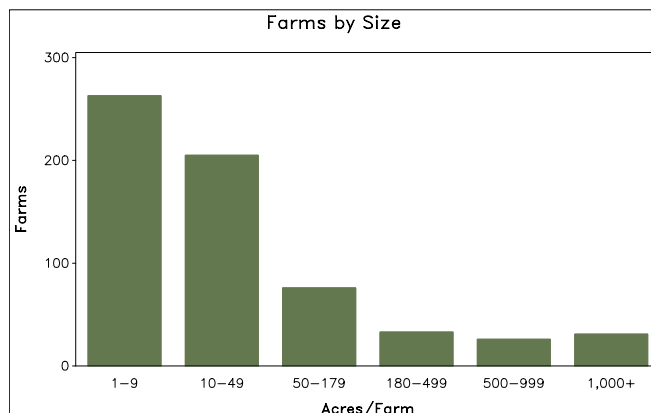
# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## County Profile

### Contra Costa County California



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	634	592	+ 7
<b>Land in Farms</b>	146,993 acres	126,338 acres	+ 16
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	232 acres	213 acres	+ 9
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$70,810,000	\$90,211,000	- 22
Crop Sales \$59,654,000 (84 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$11,156,000 (16 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$111,687	\$152,383	- 27
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$192,000	\$174,000	+ 10
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$10,079	\$6,945	+ 45



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#### Ranked items among the 58 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	70,810	38	58	1,232	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	59,654	38	58	732	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	11,156	41	57	1,968	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,259	28	48	1,921	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	13	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	22,268	24	55	101	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	16,278	33	56	110	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	12,519	30	56	245	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	40	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	21	56	228	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	48	56	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	9,534	28	57	1,226	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	47	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	5	47	54	2,494	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	188	41	56	662	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,263	18	55	160	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	46	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	89	38	55	1,073	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,761	32	57	2,061	3,060
Vegetables harvested for sale	6,315	22	55	140	2,794
Sweet corn	3,396	3	42	41	2,384
Herbs, dried	(D)	1	14	1	104
Grapes	1,817	25	52	43	2,040
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	19,578	29	57	1,444	3,060
Goats, all	6,993	5	56	46	3,023
Horses and ponies	3,324	20	57	206	3,066
Colonies of bees	(D)	29	53	(D)	2,640
Layers	1,067	38	55	1,573	3,024

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	230	Farming	265
\$1,000 to \$2,499	66	Other	369
\$2,500 to \$4,999	64		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	61	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	54	Male	431
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8	Female	203
\$25,000 to \$39,999	25		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	32		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	38	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	18	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$500,000 or more	25	Asian	27
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	62,302	Black or African American	-
Average per farm (\$)	98,269	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	943
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	13,839	More than one race	15
Average per farm (\$)	21,828	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	97

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.