

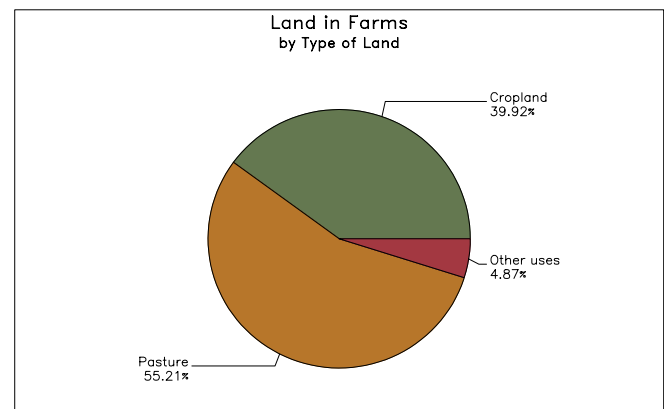
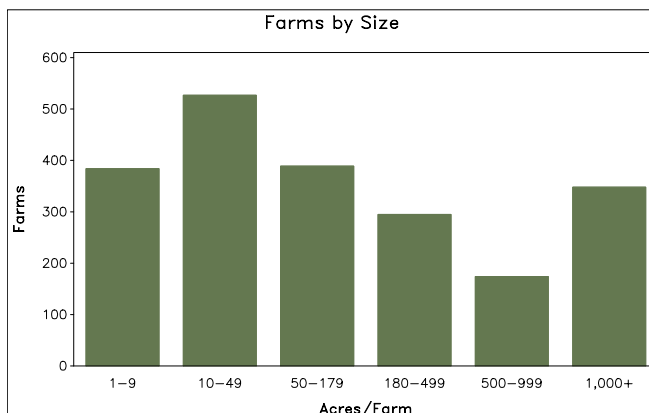
# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## County Profile

### Kern County California



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	2,117	2,147	- 1
<b>Land in Farms</b>	2,361,765 acres	2,731,341 acres	- 14
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	1,116 acres	1,272 acres	- 12
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$3,204,147,000	\$2,058,705,000	+ 56
Crop Sales \$2,551,435,000 (80 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$652,712,000 (20 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$1,513,532	\$958,875	+ 58
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$27,346,000	\$13,248,000	+ 106
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$75,332	\$36,595	+ 106



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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	3,204,147	3	58	3	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,551,435	1	58	1	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	652,712	6	57	18	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	48,017	10	48	600	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	111,112	3	13	3	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	404,609	3	55	5	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	1,764,557	1	56	1	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	122,905	8	56	22	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	90	16	40	434	1,710
Other crops and hay	100,144	2	56	8	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	10	56	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	132,073	6	57	67	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	464,985	5	47	6	2,493
Hogs and pigs	156	11	54	1,270	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	2	56	4	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,916	12	55	89	3,024
Aquaculture	2,060	17	46	118	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	1,593	11	55	113	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Almonds	143,473	1	44	1	157
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	118,340	4	57	23	3,060
Grapes	94,897	2	52	2	2,040
Cotton, all	89,543	3	13	23	627
Vegetables harvested for sale	83,755	3	55	5	2,794
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	3,024
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	6	51	(D)	2,627
Cattle and calves	337,163	7	57	13	3,060
Sheep and lambs	106,940	1	56	2	2,891
Colonies of bees	60,814	2	53	3	2,640

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	538	Farming	1,215
\$1,000 to \$2,499	125	Other	902
\$2,500 to \$4,999	90	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	103	Male	1,761
\$10,000 to \$19,999	132	Female	356
\$20,000 to \$24,999	33	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	78	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	45	American Indian or Alaska Native	62
\$50,000 to \$99,999	119	Asian	133
\$100,000 to \$249,999	164	Black or African American	31
\$250,000 to \$499,999	161	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	6
\$500,000 or more	529	White	3,242
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	2,419,092	More than one race	34
Average per farm (\$)	1,142,698	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	422
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	869,363		
Average per farm (\$)	410,658		

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.