

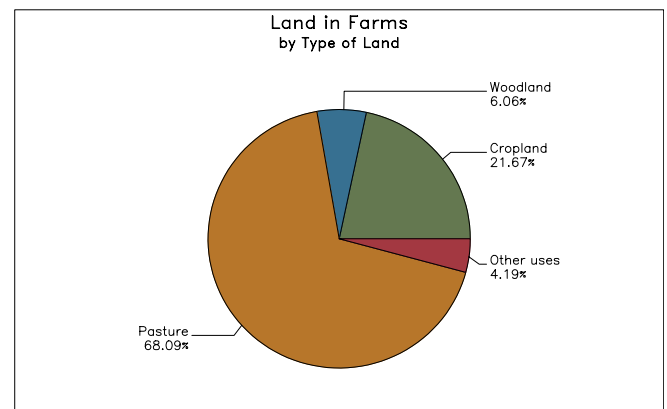
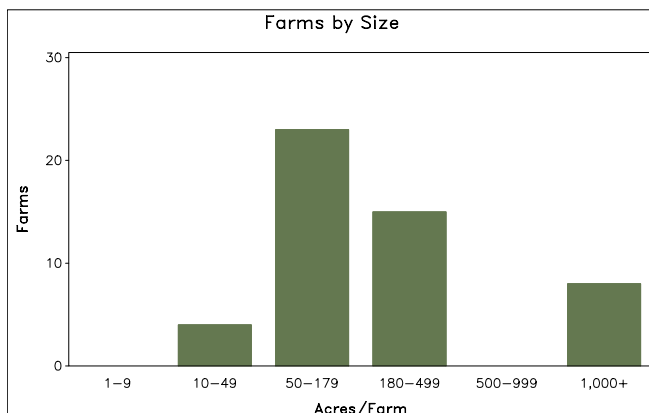
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Sierra County California



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	50	52	- 4
Land in Farms	28,782 acres	58,649 acres	- 51
Average Size of Farm	576 acres	1,128 acres	- 49
Market Value of Products Sold	\$2,003,000	\$2,269,000	- 12
Crop Sales \$586,000 (29 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$1,418,000 (71 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$40,062	\$43,635	- 8
Government Payments	\$47,000	\$39,000	+ 21
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$15,683	\$4,359	+ 260



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Ranked items among the 58 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

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	2,003	56	58	2,964	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	586	56	58	2,904	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,418	55	57	2,847	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	48	-	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	13	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	55	-	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	55	56	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	56	-	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	40	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	41	56	(D)	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	55	56	3,014	3,020
Cattle and calves	1,416	52	57	2,492	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	47	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	-	-	54	-	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	56	56	(D)	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	-	-	55	-	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	46	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	55	-	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,406	45	57	2,668	3,060
Apples	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,144
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	3,467	52	57	2,614	3,060
Sheep and lambs	104	54	56	2,314	2,891
Horses and ponies	69	56	57	3,009	3,066
Layers	(D)	55	55	(D)	3,024
Colonies of bees	(D)	50	53	(D)	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	9	Farming	36
\$1,000 to \$2,499	3	Other	14
\$2,500 to \$4,999	3	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	7	Male	44
\$10,000 to \$19,999	10	Female	6
\$20,000 to \$24,999	3	Average age of principal operator (years)	61.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	4	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	5	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	White	72
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	1,960	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	39,200	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	12
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	145		
Average per farm (\$)	2,899		

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.

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.