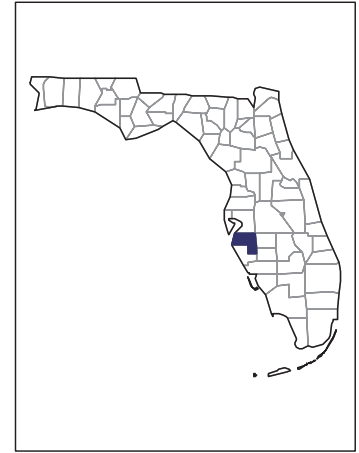


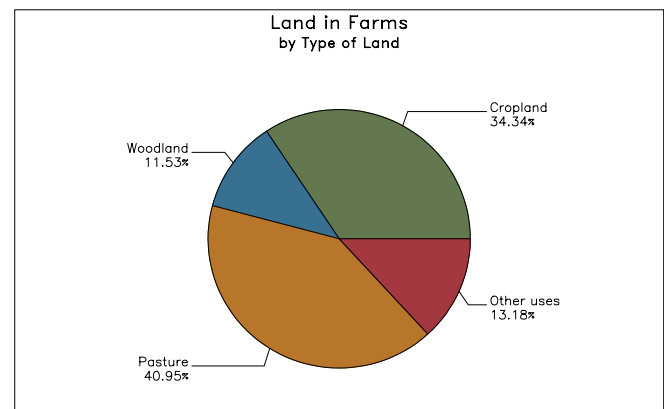
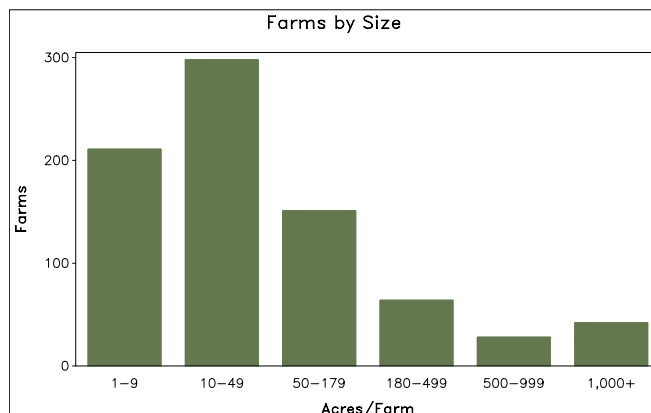
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Manatee County Florida



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	794	852	- 7
Land in Farms	225,101 acres	301,231 acres	- 25
Average Size of Farm	284 acres	354 acres	- 20
Market Value of Products Sold	\$311,806,000	\$268,480,000	+ 16
Crop Sales \$291,726,000 (94 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$20,079,000 (6 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$392,702	\$315,118	+ 25
Government Payments	\$11,000	\$112,000	- 90
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$3,600	\$16,002	- 78



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Manatee County – Florida

Ranked items among the 67 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	311,806	7	67	148	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	291,726	6	66	47	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	20,079	21	67	1,511	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	230	20	56	2,312	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	8	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	9	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	189,603	2	64	14	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	63,472	11	64	53	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	37,769	13	65	86	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	23	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	652	31	66	1,941	3,054
Poultry and eggs	123	24	65	1,367	3,020
Cattle and calves	7,043	22	66	1,473	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	10,260	8	45	479	2,493
Hogs and pigs	12	41	64	2,182	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	34	28	63	1,936	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,468	7	65	132	3,024
Aquaculture	885	12	60	226	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	254	27	67	589	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Vegetables harvested for sale	32,635	3	64	24	2,794
Oranges, all	16,862	10	50	13	171
Tomatoes in the open	16,576	1	55	7	2,368
Cucumbers and pickles	10,655	1	52	1	1,951
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,267	34	66	2,552	3,060
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	35,437	17	66	894	3,060
Layers	5,953	15	65	763	3,024
Colonies of bees	4,308	14	66	166	2,640
Horses and ponies	1,500	23	66	863	3,066
Goats, all	254	55	65	2,060	3,023

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	239	Farming	348
\$1,000 to \$2,499	66	Other	446
\$2,500 to \$4,999	72		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	97	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	86	Male	603
\$20,000 to \$24,999	25	Female	191
\$25,000 to \$39,999	40		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	37		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	48	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	22	American Indian or Alaska Native	23
\$500,000 or more	56	Asian	20
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	215,262	Black or African American	3
Average per farm (\$)	271,111	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	1,158
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	101,881	More than one race	7
Average per farm (\$)	128,314	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	56

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.