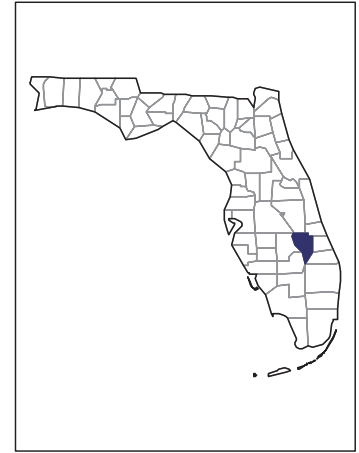


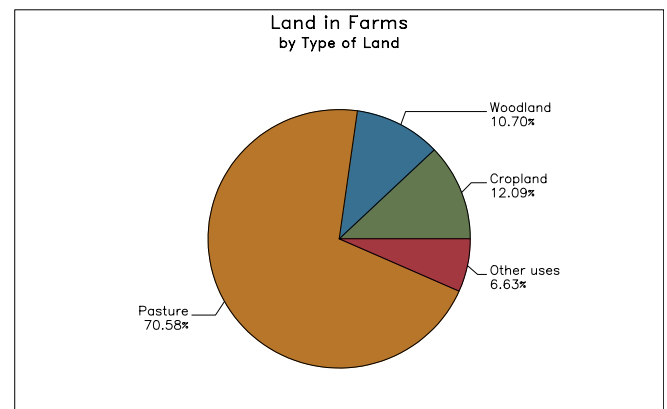
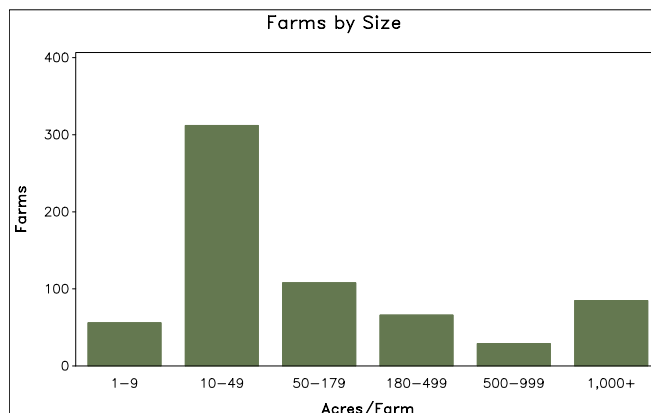
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Okeechobee County Florida



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	656	638	+ 3
Land in Farms	338,357 acres	392,495 acres	- 14
Average Size of Farm	516 acres	615 acres	- 16
Market Value of Products Sold	\$177,609,000	\$144,376,000	+ 23
Crop Sales \$43,973,000 (25 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$133,636,000 (75 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$270,745	\$226,295	+ 20
Government Payments	\$337,000	\$405,000	- 17
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$7,831	\$17,627	- 56



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Okeechobee 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	177,609	14	67	410	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	43,973	29	66	949	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	133,636	3	67	247	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	6	56	(D)	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	8	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	9	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	15	64	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	15,682	21	64	113	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	12,720	28	65	241	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	23	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	386	39	66	2,315	3,054
Poultry and eggs	29	44	65	1,938	3,020
Cattle and calves	27,923	3	66	466	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	103,738	1	45	52	2,493
Hogs and pigs	15	36	64	2,108	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	63	(D)	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	779	16	65	285	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	9	60	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	87	35	67	1,089	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,403	6	66	1,420	3,060
Oranges, all	8,218	16	50	22	171
Vegetables harvested for sale	(D)	10	64	(D)	2,794
Sod harvested	3,824	6	44	13	761
Corn for silage	(D)	6	27	(D)	2,263
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	141,012	1	66	67	3,060
Horses and ponies	2,126	15	66	497	3,066
Quail	(D)	12	41	(D)	1,386
Goats, all	885	24	65	864	3,023
Layers	439	48	65	2,257	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	192	Farming	314
\$1,000 to \$2,499	77	Other	342
\$2,500 to \$4,999	65	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	75	Male	532
\$10,000 to \$19,999	56	Female	124
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	23	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	58	Asian	5
\$100,000 to \$249,999	36	Black or African American	32
\$250,000 to \$499,999	19	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
\$500,000 or more	37	White	986
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	152,743	More than one race	7
Average per farm (\$)	232,840	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	88
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	27,096		
Average per farm (\$)	41,306		

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.