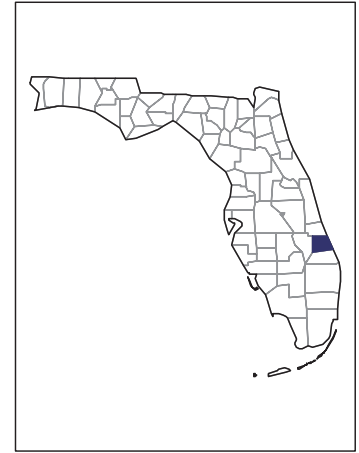


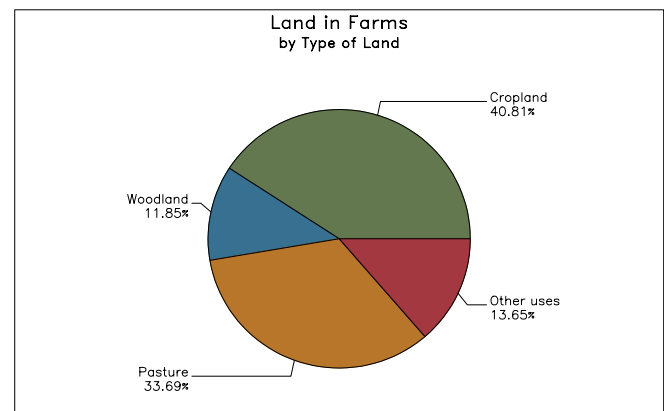
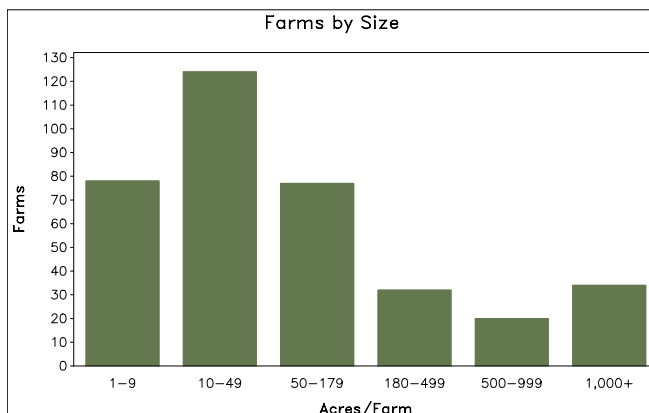
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

St. Lucie County Florida



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	365	477	- 23
Land in Farms	153,486 acres	221,537 acres	- 31
Average Size of Farm	421 acres	464 acres	- 9
Market Value of Products Sold	\$144,283,000	\$127,907,000	+ 13
Crop Sales \$133,988,000 (93 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$10,295,000 (7 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$395,297	\$268,149	+ 47
Government Payments	\$182,000	\$93,000	+ 96
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$18,208	\$11,672	+ 56



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

St. Lucie 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	144,283	17	67	569	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	133,988	14	66	216	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	10,295	29	67	2,026	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	56	-	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	8	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	9	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	27	64	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	112,694	7	64	34	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	65	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	23	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	64	66	(D)	3,054
Poultry and eggs	8	55	65	2,546	3,020
Cattle and calves	(D)	27	66	(D)	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	16	45	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	6	51	64	2,423	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	9	51	63	2,630	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	49	57	65	2,209	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	60	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	67	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Grapefruit	26,286	1	41	1	108
Oranges, all	26,049	7	50	10	171
Nursery stock	1,177	9	63	74	2,130
Tangerines	1,087	4	44	9	118
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	763	53	66	2,917	3,060
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	21,278	28	66	1,363	3,060
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,816	17	55	782	2,476
Colonies of bees	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	2,640
Horses and ponies	660	46	66	1,922	3,066
Layers	423	50	65	2,269	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	78	Farming	179
\$1,000 to \$2,499	26	Other	186
\$2,500 to \$4,999	31	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	21	Male	286
\$10,000 to \$19,999	19	Female	79
\$20,000 to \$24,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	33	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	15	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	30	Asian	10
\$100,000 to \$249,999	41	Black or African American	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	20	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	7
\$500,000 or more	42	White	538
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	119,626	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	327,743	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	22
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	29,257		
Average per farm (\$)	80,156		

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.