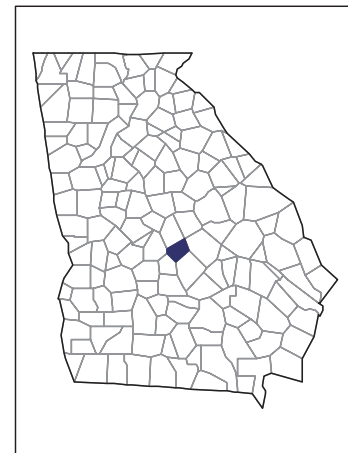


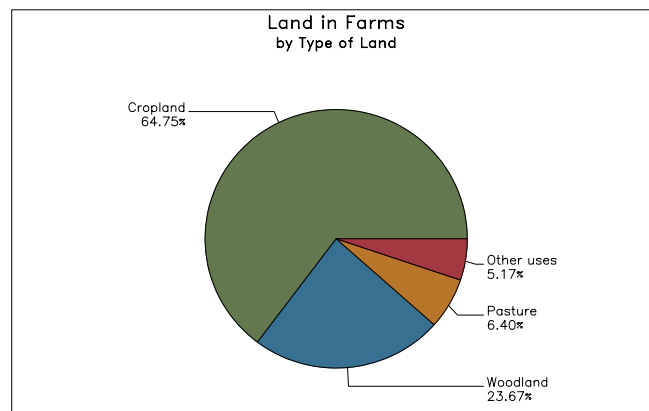
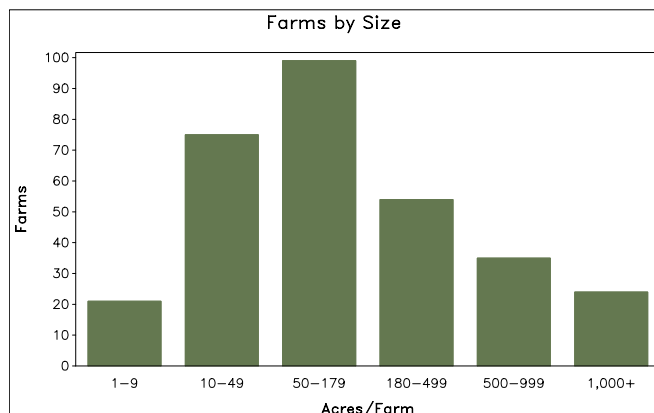
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Bleckley County Georgia



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	308	265	+ 16
Land in Farms	88,047 acres	55,324 acres	+ 59
Average Size of Farm	286 acres	209 acres	+ 37
Market Value of Products Sold	\$19,047,000	\$5,844,000	+ 226
Crop Sales \$17,720,000 (93 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$1,328,000 (7 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$61,842	\$22,053	+ 180
Government Payments	\$2,982,000	\$1,229,000	+ 143
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$16,294	\$8,538	+ 91



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Bleckley County – Georgia

Ranked items among the 159 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	19,047	93	159	2,290	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	17,720	40	159	1,532	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,328	132	159	2,859	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	5,632	17	148	1,443	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	36	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	8,888	21	84	134	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	146	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	210	79	152	1,064	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	146	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	74	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	41	158	(D)	3,054
Poultry and eggs	58	113	155	1,617	3,020
Cattle and calves	1,232	93	159	2,540	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	115	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1	122	140	2,776	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	18	64	152	2,367	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	153	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	65	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	133	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Cotton, all	21,351	18	84	129	627
Soybeans for beans	10,430	5	97	1,016	2,039
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,231	29	159	2,122	3,060
Corn for grain	5,669	30	138	1,378	2,634
Peanuts for nuts	3,716	38	76	83	347
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	5,592	73	159	2,400	3,060
Layers	2,654	66	152	999	3,024
Goats, all	618	52	157	1,246	3,023
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	206	100	124	1,435	2,476
Ducks	151	17	118	828	2,733

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	125	Farming	135
\$1,000 to \$2,499	31	Other	173
\$2,500 to \$4,999	18	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	31	Male	278
\$10,000 to \$19,999	16	Female	30
\$20,000 to \$24,999	7	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	12	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12	Asian	12
\$100,000 to \$249,999	35	Black or African American	7
\$250,000 to \$499,999	13	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	7	White	414
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	18,058	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	58,631	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	1
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	5,046		
Average per farm (\$)	16,384		

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.