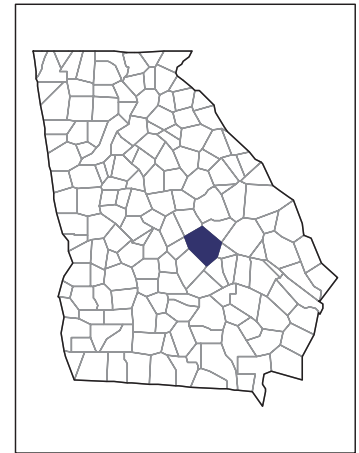


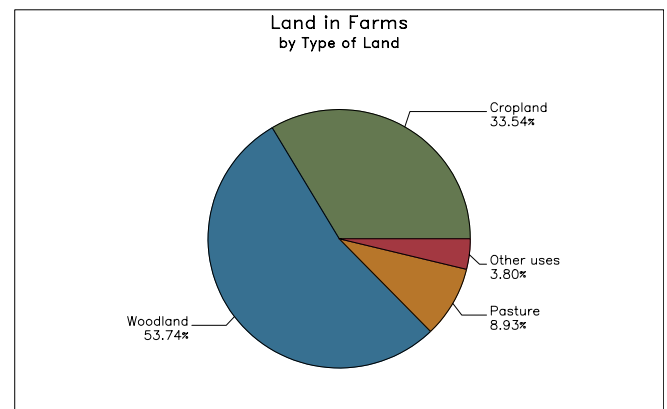
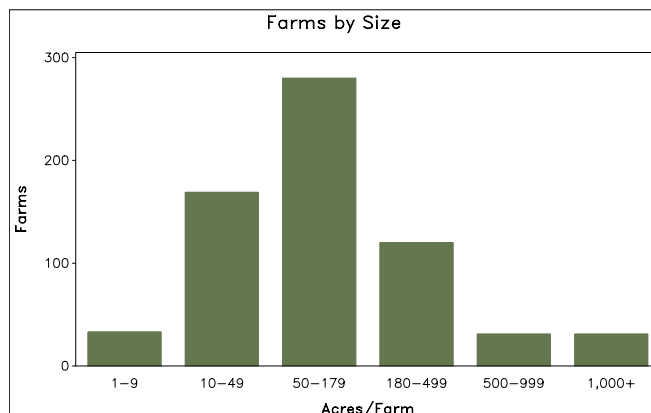
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Laurens County Georgia



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	664	709	- 6
Land in Farms	164,989 acres	193,665 acres	- 15
Average Size of Farm	248 acres	273 acres	- 9
Market Value of Products Sold	\$14,530,000	\$12,915,000	+ 13
Crop Sales \$9,539,000 (66 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$4,990,000 (34 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$21,882	\$18,215	+ 20
Government Payments	\$2,914,000	\$1,848,000	+ 58
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$8,140	\$5,634	+ 44



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Laurens 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	14,530	104	159	2,429	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	9,539	63	159	1,889	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	4,990	97	159	2,441	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	4,609	24	148	1,517	2,933
Tobacco	(D)	33	36	(D)	437
Cotton and cottonseed	1,875	49	84	301	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	352	50	146	1,235	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	76	152	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,250	54	146	1,000	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	74	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	1,082	55	158	1,426	3,054
Poultry and eggs	14	122	155	2,303	3,020
Cattle and calves	2,777	41	159	2,101	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,902	32	115	1,104	2,493
Hogs and pigs	182	35	140	1,235	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	12	79	152	2,538	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	101	48	153	1,682	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	65	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	2	87	133	2,499	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	8,860	8	97	1,060	2,039
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,342	28	159	2,103	3,060
Wheat for grain, all	6,327	12	117	888	2,481
Cotton, all	5,727	48	84	278	627
Corn for grain	3,476	40	138	1,520	2,634
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	9,738	43	159	2,022	3,060
Hogs and pigs	874	34	150	1,245	2,958
Horses and ponies	665	34	159	1,909	3,066
Goats, all	553	58	157	1,349	3,023
Quail	(D)	42	62	(D)	1,386

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	329	Farming	245
\$1,000 to \$2,499	70	Other	419
\$2,500 to \$4,999	64	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	64	Male	541
\$10,000 to \$19,999	45	Female	123
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	18	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9	American Indian or Alaska Native	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	24	Black or African American	73
\$250,000 to \$499,999	13	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	3	White	796
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	18,353	More than one race	9
Average per farm (\$)	27,640	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,461		
Average per farm (\$)	2,200		

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.