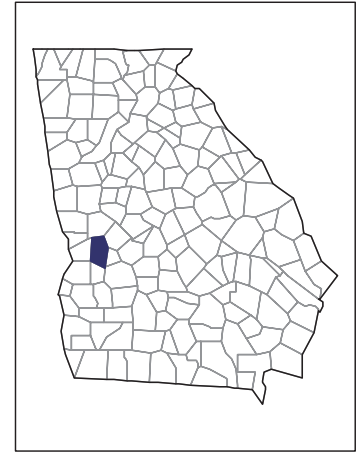


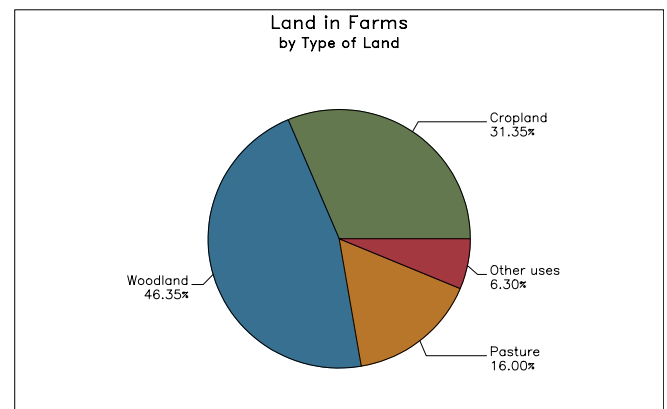
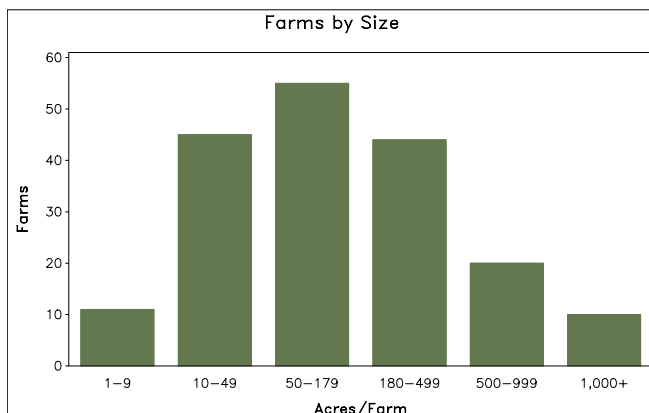
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Marion County Georgia



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	185	181	+ 2
Land in Farms	46,628 acres	51,732 acres	- 10
Average Size of Farm	252 acres	286 acres	- 12
Market Value of Products Sold	\$32,059,000	\$12,873,000	+ 149
Crop Sales \$3,930,000 (12 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$28,128,000 (88 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$173,291	\$71,120	+ 144
Government Payments	\$372,000	\$251,000	+ 48
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,411	\$4,248	+ 51



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Marion 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	32,059	69	159	1,937	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	3,930	80	159	2,342	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	28,128	49	159	1,239	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,185	61	148	1,944	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	36	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	80	84	584	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,416	31	146	691	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	152	(D)	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	694	67	158	1,888	3,054
Poultry and eggs	24,766	47	155	361	3,020
Cattle and calves	1,754	68	159	2,376	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	115	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	11	72	140	2,223	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	110	152	2,726	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	153	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	65	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	133	-	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,947	73	159	2,463	3,060
Soybeans for beans	2,570	38	97	1,350	2,039
Corn for grain	1,459	60	138	1,774	2,634
Rye for grain	951	13	99	58	977
Peanuts for nuts	754	64	76	184	347
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,925,185	36	124	218	2,476
Layers	(D)	54	152	(D)	3,024
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	38	106	(D)	2,627
Cattle and calves	4,960	83	159	2,465	3,060
Quail	2,600	30	62	256	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	66	Farming	82
\$1,000 to \$2,499	12	Other	103
\$2,500 to \$4,999	19	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	20	Male	160
\$10,000 to \$19,999	15	Female	25
\$20,000 to \$24,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	5	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	7	Asian	3
\$100,000 to \$249,999	12	Black or African American	17
\$250,000 to \$499,999	5	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	14	White	227
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	27,043	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	146,176	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	9
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	5,806		
Average per farm (\$)	31,383		

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.