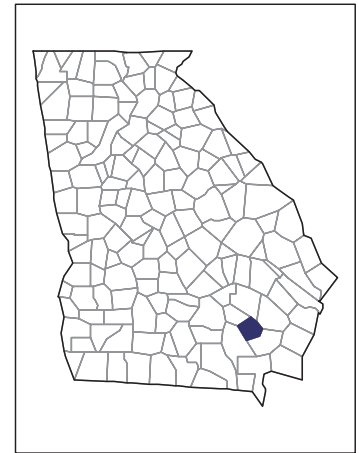


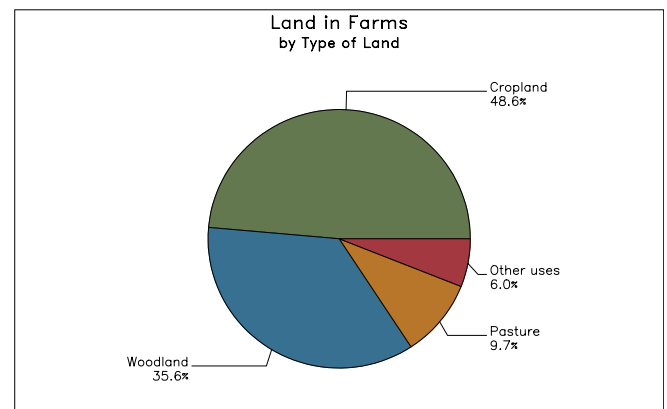
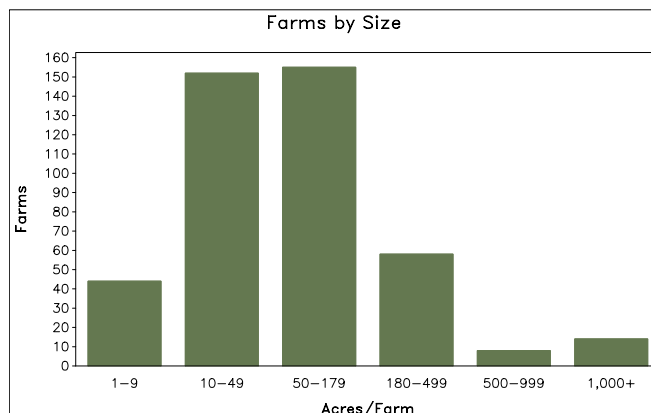
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Pierce County Georgia



| | 2007 | 2002 | % change |
|--|--------------|--------------|----------|
| Number of Farms | 431 | 434 | - 1 |
| Land in Farms | 71,750 acres | 98,505 acres | - 27 |
| Average Size of Farm | 166 acres | 227 acres | - 27 |
| Market Value of Products Sold | \$24,025,000 | \$29,150,000 | - 18 |
| Crop Sales \$18,034,000 (75 percent) | | | |
| Livestock Sales \$5,991,000 (25 percent) | | | |
| Average Per Farm | \$55,743 | \$67,165 | - 17 |
| Government Payments | \$2,281,000 | \$967,000 | + 136 |
| Average Per Farm Receiving Payments | \$11,071 | \$5,686 | + 95 |



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Pierce 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 | 24,025 | 82 | 159 | 2,139 | 3,076 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse | 18,034 | 38 | 159 | 1,518 | 3,072 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products | 5,991 | 89 | 159 | 2,352 | 3,069 |
| VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas | 4,239 | 26 | 148 | 1,545 | 2,933 |
| Tobacco | (D) | 10 | 36 | 122 | 437 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | 2,961 | 37 | 84 | 252 | 626 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes | (D) | (D) | 146 | (D) | 2,796 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries | 3,439 | 17 | 152 | 232 | 2,659 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod | 92 | 108 | 146 | 2,055 | 2,703 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops | - | - | 74 | - | 1,710 |
| Other crops and hay | 4,530 | 30 | 158 | 363 | 3,054 |
| Poultry and eggs | (D) | 92 | 155 | (D) | 3,020 |
| Cattle and calves | (D) | (D) | 159 | (D) | 3,054 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows | 2,344 | 27 | 115 | 1,015 | 2,493 |
| Hogs and pigs | 13 | 69 | 140 | 2,166 | 2,922 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products | 18 | 62 | 152 | 2,353 | 2,998 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys | 22 | 96 | 153 | 2,635 | 3,024 |
| Aquaculture | - | - | 65 | - | 1,498 |
| Other animals and other animal products | 61 | 21 | 133 | 1,269 | 2,875 |
| TOP CROP ITEMS (acres) | | | | | |
| Peanuts for nuts | 6,716 | 31 | 76 | 59 | 347 |
| Cotton, all | 6,363 | 40 | 84 | 266 | 627 |
| Corn for grain | 5,359 | 31 | 138 | 1,395 | 2,634 |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 4,619 | 62 | 159 | 2,356 | 3,060 |
| Soybeans for beans | 2,601 | 36 | 97 | 1,346 | 2,039 |
| TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number) | | | | | |
| Pullets for laying flock replacement | (D) | (D) | 106 | (D) | 2,627 |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens | (D) | 92 | 124 | (D) | 2,476 |
| Cattle and calves | 5,707 | 71 | 159 | 2,388 | 3,060 |
| Colonies of bees | 2,656 | 12 | 123 | 243 | 2,640 |
| Goats, all | 787 | 37 | 157 | 976 | 3,023 |

Other County Highlights

| Economic Characteristics | Quantity | Operator Characteristics | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales: | | Principal operators by primary occupation: | |
| Less than \$1,000 | 157 | Farming | 175 |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499 | 38 | Other | 256 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 47 | Principal operators by sex: | |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 31 | Male | 372 |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 49 | Female | 59 |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999 | 14 | Average age of principal operator (years) | 59.3 |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999 | 16 | All operators by race ² : | |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999 | 17 | American Indian or Alaska Native | - |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 27 | Asian | - |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 | 11 | Black or African American | 38 |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 | 9 | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | - |
| \$500,000 or more | 15 | White | 528 |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) | 22,293 | More than one race | 7 |
| Average per farm (\$) | 51,724 | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ² | 2 |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 6,005 | | |
| Average per farm (\$) | 13,932 | | |

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.