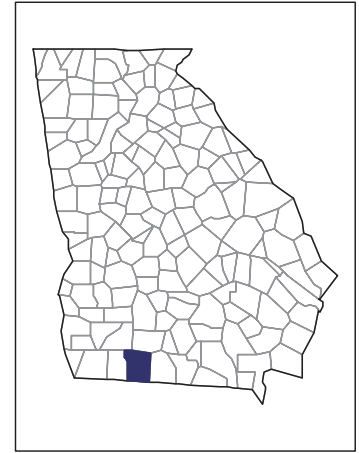


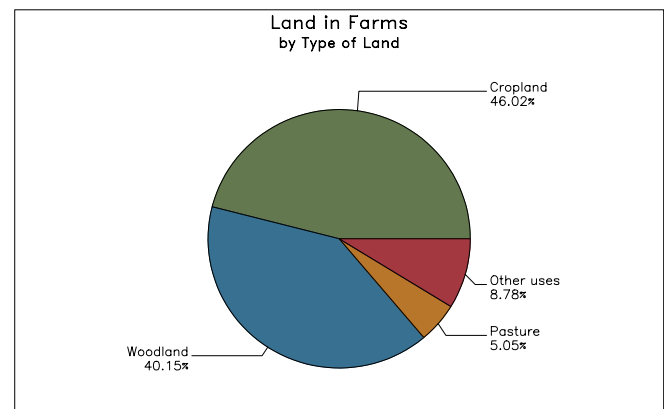
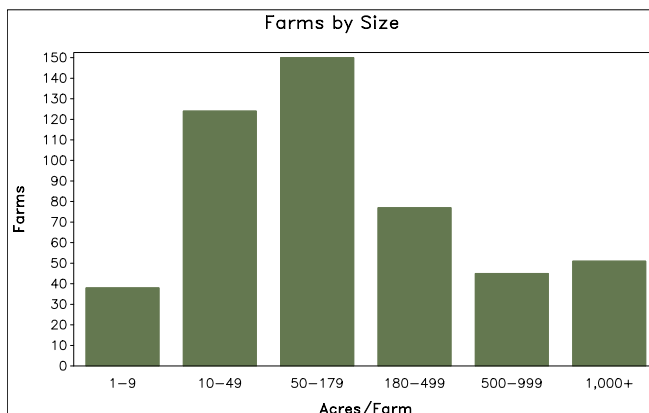
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## County Profile

### Thomas County Georgia



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	485	510	- 5
<b>Land in Farms</b>	204,216 acres	198,412 acres	+ 3
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	421 acres	389 acres	+ 8
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$59,644,000	\$26,384,000	+ 126
Crop Sales \$30,586,000 (51 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$29,058,000 (49 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$122,977	\$51,734	+ 138
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$5,539,000	\$2,299,000	+ 141
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$23,471	\$12,038	+ 95



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### Thomas County – Georgia

#### Ranked items among the 159 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	59,644	39	159	1,401	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	30,586	24	159	1,200	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	29,058	48	159	1,215	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	5,079	23	148	1,487	2,933
Tobacco	(D)	23	36	(D)	437
Cotton and cottonseed	11,523	12	84	107	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	38	146	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	5,814	10	152	183	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,924	29	146	672	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	60	74	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	3,758	34	158	447	3,054
Poultry and eggs	17,600	57	155	435	3,020
Cattle and calves	6,302	10	159	1,555	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	4,360	14	115	772	2,493
Hogs and pigs	253	29	140	1,170	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	1	152	(D)	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	232	24	153	992	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	20	65	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	133	(D)	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Cotton, all	32,467	7	84	84	627
Corn for grain	26,526	2	138	818	2,634
Peanuts for nuts	8,619	23	76	44	347
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,402	27	159	2,097	3,060
Pecans, all	(D)	5	135	(D)	1,315
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,077,114	54	124	300	2,476
Pullets for laying flock replacement	85,832	25	106	268	2,627
Cattle and calves	17,104	13	159	1,552	3,060
Layers	(D)	64	152	(D)	3,024
Hogs and pigs	635	35	150	1,341	2,958

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	158	Farming	204
\$1,000 to \$2,499	28	Other	281
\$2,500 to \$4,999	30	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	47	Male	409
\$10,000 to \$19,999	51	Female	76
\$20,000 to \$24,999	15	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	34	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6	American Indian or Alaska Native	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	47	Black or African American	59
\$250,000 to \$499,999	29	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	25	White	637
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	63,523	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	130,974	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	13
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	6,180		
Average per farm (\$)	12,742		

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.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. <sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.