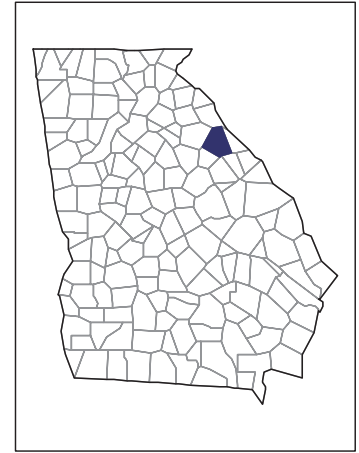


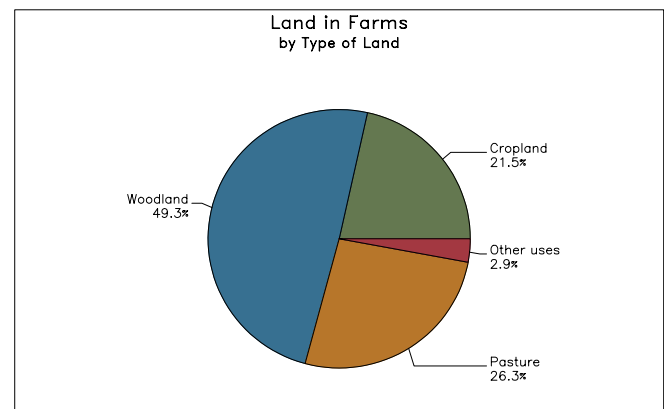
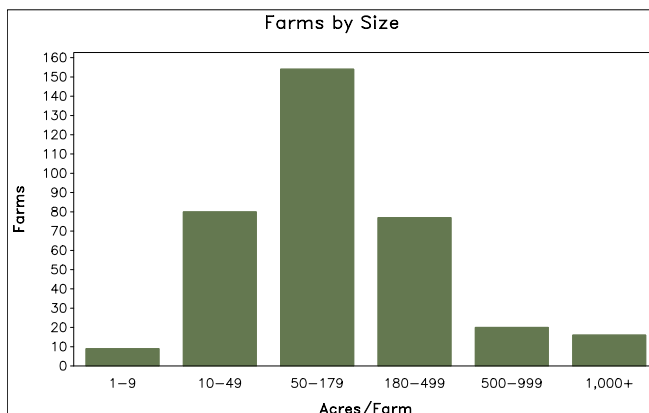
# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## County Profile

### Wilkes County Georgia



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	356	349	+ 2
<b>Land in Farms</b>	89,785 acres	99,218 acres	- 10
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	252 acres	284 acres	- 11
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$32,525,000	\$21,190,000	+ 53
Crop Sales \$1,675,000 (5 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$30,850,000 (95 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$91,363	\$60,717	+ 50
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$336,000	\$410,000	- 18
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$3,536	\$3,256	+ 9



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### Wilkes 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	32,525	67	159	1,926	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,675	105	159	2,648	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	30,850	47	159	1,166	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	90	102	148	2,494	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	36	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	84	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	146	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	107	104	152	1,366	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	146	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	72	74	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	225	109	158	2,628	3,054
Poultry and eggs	21,762	51	155	385	3,020
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	159	(D)	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	3,891	15	115	810	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	12	140	(D)	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	9	95	152	2,659	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	3	151	153	2,982	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	65	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(Z)	108	133	2,675	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,836	11	159	1,734	3,060
Wheat for grain, all	422	77	117	1,887	2,481
Rye for grain	244	50	99	247	977
Corn for silage	(D)	48	77	(D)	2,263
Sorghum for silage	(D)	20	50	(D)	1,151
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,638,008	41	124	239	2,476
Cattle and calves	15,519	20	159	1,634	3,060
Hogs and pigs	(D)	6	150	(D)	2,958
Goats, all	401	78	157	1,696	3,023
Horses and ponies	364	92	159	2,548	3,066

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	126	Farming	156
\$1,000 to \$2,499	57	Other	200
\$2,500 to \$4,999	40	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	25	Male	292
\$10,000 to \$19,999	39	Female	64
\$20,000 to \$24,999	16	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	14	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	8	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1	Black or African American	25
\$250,000 to \$499,999	3	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	20	White	498
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	28,278	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	79,432	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	7
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	5,616		
Average per farm (\$)	15,774		

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.