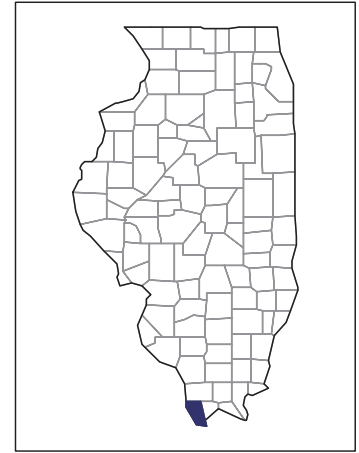


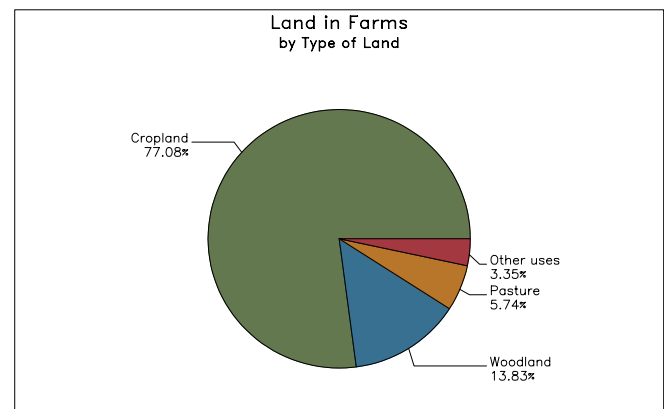
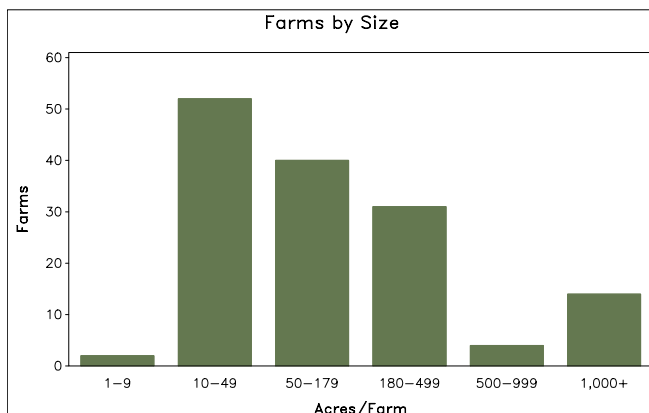
# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## County Profile

### Alexander County Illinois



|  | 2007         | 2002         | % change |
|--|--------------|--------------|----------|
| <b>Number of Farms</b>                     | 143          | 149          | - 4      |
| <b>Land in Farms</b>                       | 47,626 acres | 78,418 acres | - 39     |
| <b>Average Size of Farm</b>                | 333 acres    | 526 acres    | - 37     |
| <b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>       | \$13,109,000 | \$10,233,000 | + 28     |
| Crop Sales \$12,731,000 (97 percent)       |              |              |          |
| Livestock Sales \$378,000 (3 percent)      |              |              |          |
| <b>Average Per Farm</b>                    | \$91,674     | \$68,678     | + 33     |
| <b>Government Payments</b>                 | \$715,000    | \$887,000    | - 19     |
| <b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b> | \$7,939      | \$9,966      | - 20     |



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## County Profile

### Alexander County – Illinois

#### Ranked items among the 102 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                               | 13,109   | 99         | 102                   | 2,486     | 3,076                 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse                         | 12,731   | 99         | 102                   | 1,732     | 3,072                 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products                         | 378      | 101        | 102                   | 2,994     | 3,069                 |
| <b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>                      |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas                               | 12,646   | 95         | 102                   | 1,156     | 2,933                 |
| Tobacco   | -        | -          | 5                     | -         | 437                   |
| Cotton and cottonseed   | -        | -          | -                     | -         | 626                   |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes                        | (D)      | 86         | 101                   | (D)       | 2,796                 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries  | -        | -          | 95                    | -         | 2,659                 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod                              | (D)      | (D)        | 96                    | (D)       | 2,703                 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops                      | -        | -          | 70                    | -         | 1,710                 |
| Other crops and hay   | 46       | 99         | 102                   | 2,937     | 3,054                 |
| Poultry and eggs  | (D)      | 100        | 102                   | (D)       | 3,020                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 363      | 100        | 102                   | 2,851     | 3,054                 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows                                 | -        | -          | 90                    | -         | 2,493                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 5        | 98         | 102                   | 2,463     | 2,922                 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products  | -        | -          | 101                   | -         | 2,998                 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys                              | (D)      | 94         | 102                   | 2,853     | 3,024                 |
| Aquaculture   | -        | -          | 35                    | -         | 1,498                 |
| Other animals and other animal products                                 | -        | -          | 100                   | -         | 2,875                 |
| <b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>   |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Soybeans for beans  | 21,764   | 94         | 102                   | 806       | 2,039                 |
| Corn for grain  | 7,968    | 97         | 102                   | 1,255     | 2,634                 |
| Wheat for grain, all  | 2,872    | 68         | 101                   | 1,221     | 2,481                 |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 1,758    | 90         | 102                   | 2,770     | 3,060                 |
| Rice  | (D)      | 1          | 1                     | 99        | 135                   |
| <b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>                           |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Cattle and calves   | 1,850    | 98         | 102                   | 2,798     | 3,060                 |
| Horses and ponies   | 133      | 100        | 102                   | 2,938     | 3,066                 |
| Goats, all  | 54       | 93         | 101                   | 2,754     | 3,023                 |
| Layers  | 33       | 101        | 102                   | 2,984     | 3,024                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 29       | 98         | 101                   | 2,636     | 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                           | 39       | Farming   | 75       |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499                          | 17       | Other   | 68       |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999                          | 18       | Principal operators by sex:                                       |          |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999                          | 9        | Male  | 137      |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999                        | 22       | Female  | 6        |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999                        | 3        | Average age of principal operator (years)                         | 59.5     |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999                        | 5        | All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :                              |          |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999                        | 1        | American Indian or Alaska Native                                  | -        |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999                        | 9        | Asian   | -        |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999                      | 5        | Black or African American   | 4        |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999                      | 4        | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander                         | -        |
| \$500,000 or more                           | 11       | White   | 186      |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)    | 8,307    | More than one race  | 1        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 58,088   | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup> | 1        |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 5,855    |   |          |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 40,943   |   |          |

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.