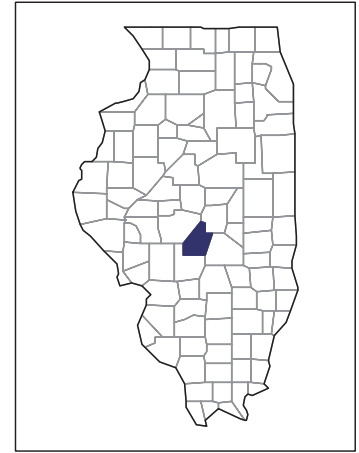


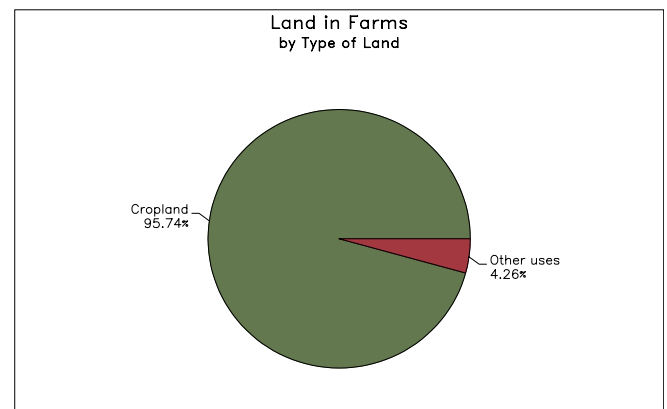
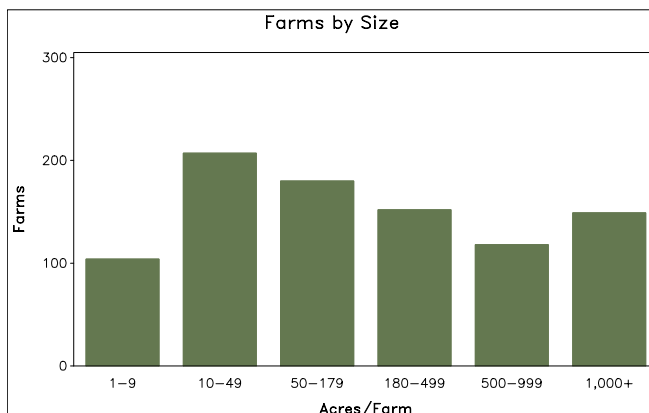
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Christian County Illinois



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	910	796	+ 14
Land in Farms	449,512 acres	410,549 acres	+ 9
Average Size of Farm	494 acres	516 acres	- 4
Market Value of Products Sold	\$229,212,000	\$110,613,000	+ 107
Crop Sales \$216,474,000 (94 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$12,738,000 (6 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$251,882	\$138,962	+ 81
Government Payments	\$7,078,000	\$5,752,000	+ 23
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$9,643	\$9,985	- 3



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Christian County – Illinois

Ranked items among the 102 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	229,212	14	102	263	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	216,474	9	102	73	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	12,738	56	102	1,880	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	215,398	8	102	11	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	5	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	192	50	101	1,531	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	53	77	96	2,209	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	45	70	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	734	27	102	1,831	3,054
Poultry and eggs	27	61	102	1,983	3,020
Cattle and calves	2,973	59	102	2,072	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	90	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	9,647	42	102	378	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	64	35	101	1,463	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	17	86	102	2,722	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	35	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	9	58	100	2,080	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	266,032	11	102	16	2,634
Soybeans for beans	144,773	9	102	44	2,039
Wheat for grain, all	3,551	57	101	1,138	2,481
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,193	74	102	2,563	3,060
Oats for grain	846	8	81	447	1,957
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	35,096	45	101	387	2,958
Cattle and calves	8,610	49	102	2,118	3,060
Layers	804	47	102	1,821	3,024
Sheep and lambs	537	37	101	1,395	2,891
Horses and ponies	517	56	102	2,203	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	208	Farming	489
\$1,000 to \$2,499	49	Other	421
\$2,500 to \$4,999	33	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	42	Male	841
\$10,000 to \$19,999	36	Female	69
\$20,000 to \$24,999	25	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	30	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	103	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	121	Black or African American	4
\$250,000 to \$499,999	104	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	146	White	1,282
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	125,562	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	137,980	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	115,012		
Average per farm (\$)	126,387		

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.