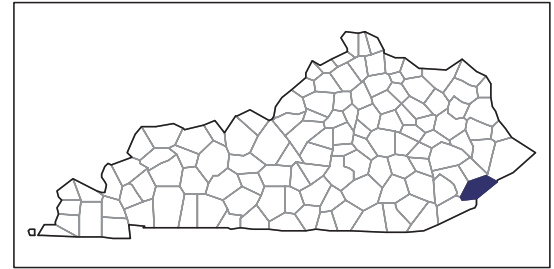


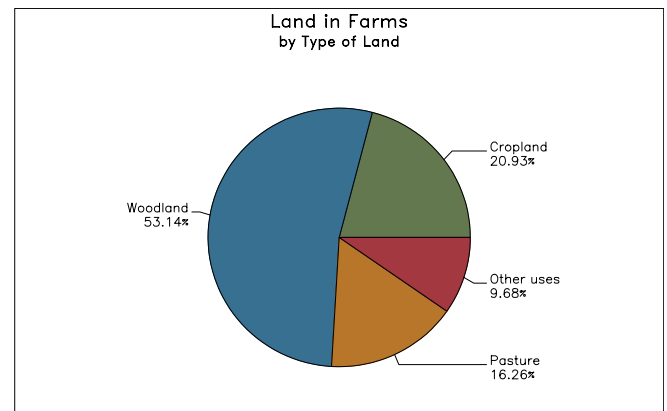
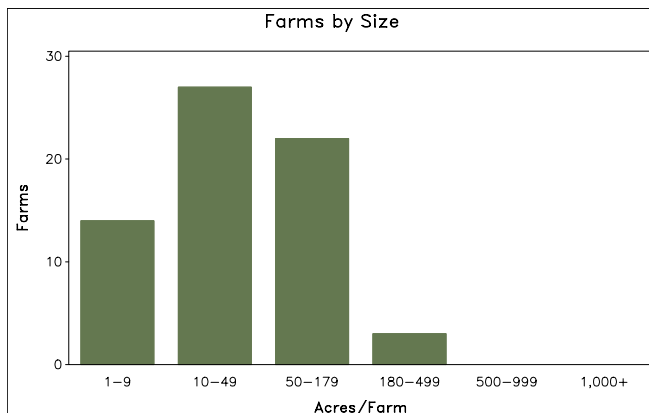
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County Profile



Letcher County Kentucky

	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	66	46	+ 43
Land in Farms	3,617 acres	2,869 acres	+ 26
Average Size of Farm	55 acres	62 acres	- 11
Market Value of Products Sold	\$168,000	\$181,000	- 7
Crop Sales \$78,000 (46 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$90,000 (54 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$2,547	\$3,931	- 35
Government Payments	(D)	\$1,000	
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	(D)	\$176	



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Letcher County – Kentucky

Ranked items among the 120 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	168	117	120	3,055	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	78	115	120	3,038	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	90	117	120	3,044	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1	117	117	2,890	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	106	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	104	117	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	100	106	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	111	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	50	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	30	115	120	2,966	3,054
Poultry and eggs	5	108	120	2,691	3,020
Cattle and calves	59	118	120	2,997	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	111	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	4	93	110	2,545	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	14	99	118	2,461	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	116	119	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	40	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	61	111	2,282	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	231	117	120	2,996	3,060
Short-rotation woody crops	(D)	7	38	(D)	1,134
Corn for grain	14	116	117	2,508	2,634
Vegetables harvested for sale	9	105	116	2,389	2,794
Sweet corn	6	73	115	1,541	2,384
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	299	118	120	2,991	3,060
Goats, all	297	99	119	1,956	3,023
Layers	223	108	120	2,608	3,024
Horses and ponies	108	116	120	2,969	3,066
Colonies of bees	81	40	114	1,374	2,640

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	27	Farming	16
\$1,000 to \$2,499	23	Other	50
\$2,500 to \$4,999	8	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	4	Male	59
\$10,000 to \$19,999	3	Female	7
\$20,000 to \$24,999	-	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	1	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	-	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	-	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	White	90
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	421	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	6,380	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-244		
Average per farm (\$)	-3,696		

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.