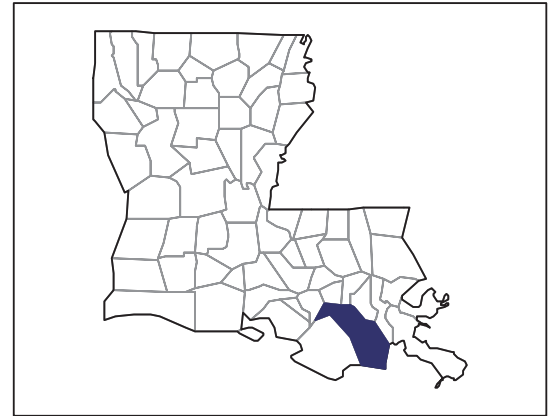


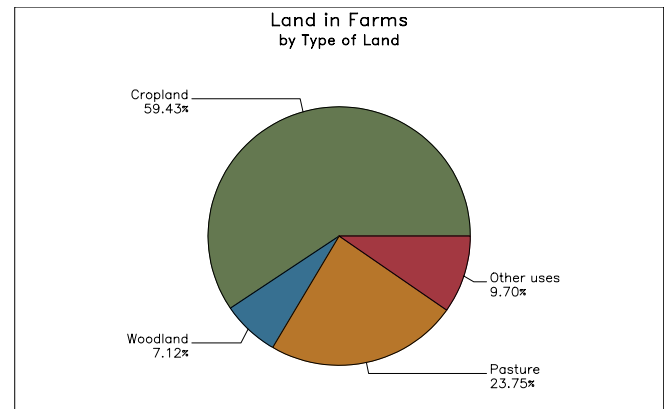
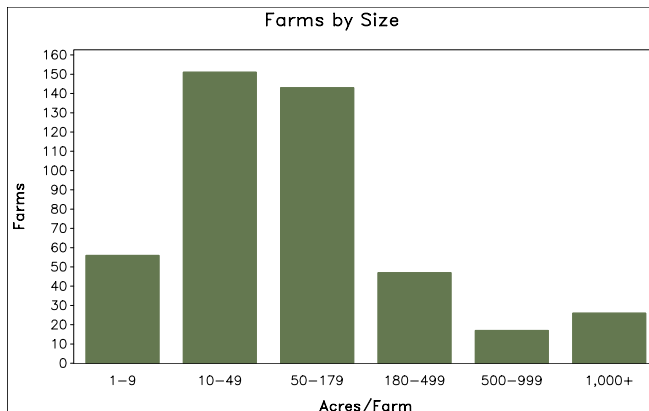
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Parish Profile

Lafourche Parish Louisiana



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	440	405	+ 9
Land in Farms	106,119 acres	150,927 acres	- 30
Average Size of Farm	241 acres	373 acres	- 35
Market Value of Products Sold	\$41,970,000	\$26,757,000	+ 57
Crop Sales \$22,802,000 (54 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$19,168,000 (46 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$95,386	\$66,067	+ 44
Government Payments	\$154,000	\$65,000	+ 137
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,431	\$1,296	+ 396



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

Parish Profile

Lafourche Parish – Louisiana

Ranked items among the 64 state parishes 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	41,970	25	64	1,721	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	22,802	25	63	1,383	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	19,168	14	64	1,551	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	53	55	(D)	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	26	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	132	32	61	1,701	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	37	61	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	35	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	22,575	6	63	76	3,054
Poultry and eggs	25	29	60	2,026	3,020
Cattle and calves	3,594	26	63	1,937	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	45	20	34	2,126	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	56	58	2,881	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	44	57	2,845	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	120	39	61	1,554	3,024
Aquaculture	15,381	2	52	21	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	53	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Sugarcane for sugar	24,767	6	20	10	38
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,002	19	62	1,812	3,060
Sugarcane for seed	2,192	6	20	10	43
Vegetables harvested for sale	122	16	61	1,242	2,794
Oranges, all	34	2	27	64	171
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	16,517	22	63	1,589	3,060
Layers	955	27	61	1,676	3,024
Horses and ponies	709	33	63	1,819	3,066
Rabbits and their pelts	322	4	44	327	2,574
Goats, all	315	27	59	1,902	3,023

Other Parish Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	113	Farming	200
\$1,000 to \$2,499	52	Other	240
\$2,500 to \$4,999	54	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	51	Male	395
\$10,000 to \$19,999	54	Female	45
\$20,000 to \$24,999	24	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	28	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	17	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	8	Black or African American	2
\$250,000 to \$499,999	16	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	16	White	649
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	27,149	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	61,702	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	6
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	15,598		
Average per farm (\$)	35,449		

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.