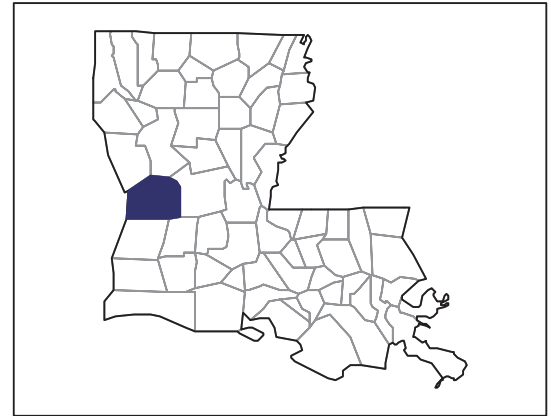


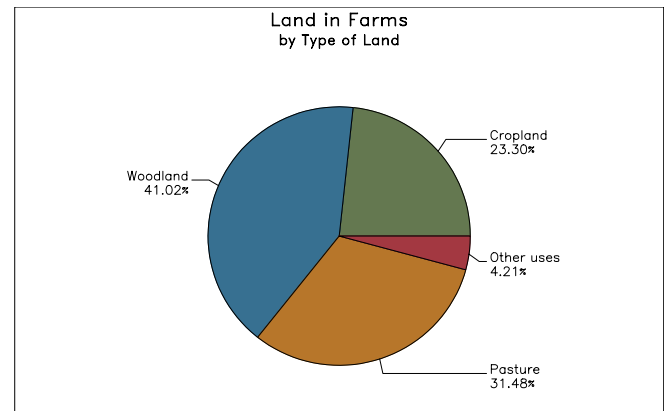
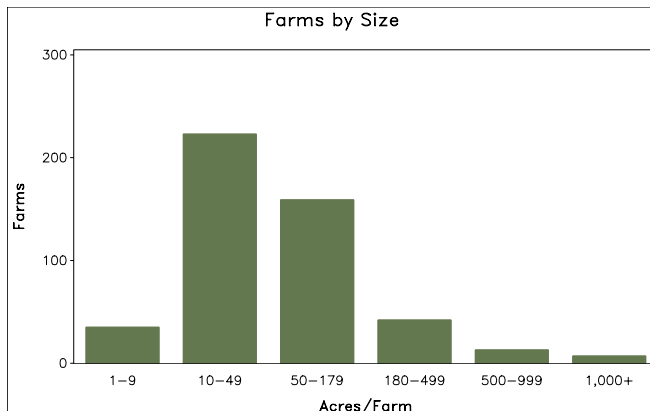
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

Parish Profile

Vernon Parish Louisiana



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	479	460	+ 4
Land in Farms	50,633 acres	49,715 acres	+ 2
Average Size of Farm	106 acres	108 acres	- 2
Market Value of Products Sold	\$9,136,000	\$8,652,000	+ 6
Crop Sales \$576,000 (6 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$8,560,000 (94 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$19,073	\$18,810	+ 1
Government Payments	\$94,000	\$89,000	+ 6
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$2,606	\$1,566	+ 66



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

Parish Profile

Vernon 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	9,136	51	64	2,633	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	576	56	63	2,906	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	8,560	23	64	2,137	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	54	55	(D)	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	26	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	27	61	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	61	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	27	47	55	2,386	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	35	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	269	41	63	2,528	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	12	60	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	2,354	30	63	2,195	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	34	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	8	35	58	2,347	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	15	20	57	2,431	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	196	27	61	1,128	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	46	52	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	1	41	53	2,589	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,873	28	62	2,047	3,060
Short-rotation woody crops	(D)	35	42	(D)	1,134
Pecans, all	(D)	35	59	(D)	1,315
Vegetables harvested for sale	58	28	61	1,613	2,794
Watermelons	40	8	43	352	1,898
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	207,686	10	40	496	2,476
Cattle and calves	12,174	28	63	1,842	3,060
Layers	1,671	15	61	1,205	3,024
Horses and ponies	1,220	20	63	1,131	3,066
Goats, all	972	5	59	775	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	184	Farming	225
\$1,000 to \$2,499	69	Other	254
\$2,500 to \$4,999	63	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	78	Male	417
\$10,000 to \$19,999	33	Female	62
\$20,000 to \$24,999	13	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	25	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2	American Indian or Alaska Native	40
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4	Asian	1
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2	Black or African American	9
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	6	White	664
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	9,388	More than one race	7
Average per farm (\$)	19,600	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	19
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	254		
Average per farm (\$)	530		

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.