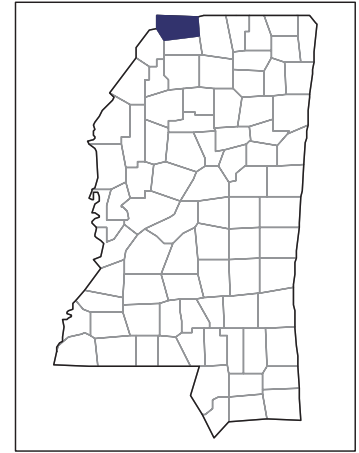


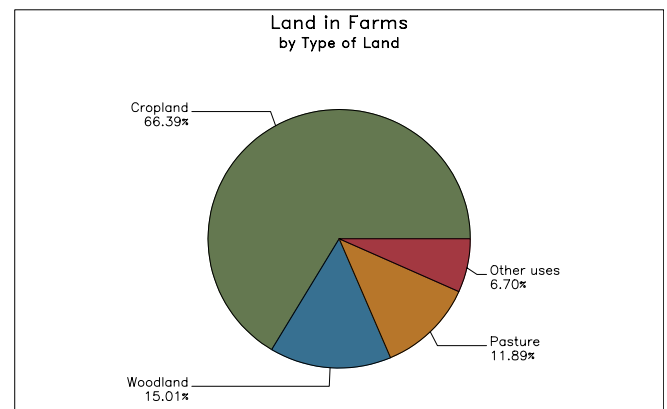
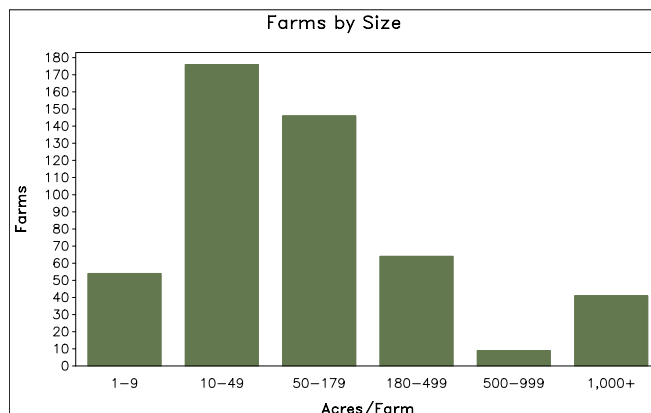
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

DeSoto County Mississippi



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	490	639	- 23
Land in Farms	141,639 acres	142,851 acres	- 1
Average Size of Farm	289 acres	224 acres	+ 29
Market Value of Products Sold	\$30,314,000	\$21,396,000	+ 42
Crop Sales \$26,357,000 (87 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$3,958,000 (13 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$61,866	\$33,483	+ 85
Government Payments	\$2,659,000	\$2,417,000	+ 10
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$24,848	\$29,121	- 15



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

DeSoto County – Mississippi

Ranked items among the 82 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	30,314	41	82	1,978	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	26,357	16	82	1,300	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	3,958	63	82	2,544	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	21,137	14	82	974	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	3,420	20	60	237	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	80	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	235	38	74	1,742	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	43	48	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	798	16	82	1,763	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	35	76	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	1,499	61	81	2,459	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	50	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	-	-	75	-	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	17	25	77	2,385	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	77	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	47	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	2	72	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	44,386	11	68	555	2,039
Wheat for grain, all	13,031	10	61	618	2,481
Corn for grain	7,921	26	82	1,257	2,634
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	7,688	43	82	1,958	3,060
Cotton, all	5,851	23	60	275	627
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	32	61	(D)	2,476
Quail	11,800	7	48	121	1,386
Cattle and calves	5,962	63	81	2,366	3,060
Colonies of bees	(D)	2	75	(D)	2,640
Layers	1,372	37	76	1,363	3,024

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	191	Farming	169
\$1,000 to \$2,499	74	Other	321
\$2,500 to \$4,999	46	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	60	Male	420
\$10,000 to \$19,999	41	Female	70
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	15	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	8	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	10	Black or African American	62
\$250,000 to \$499,999	13	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	18	White	677
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	31,655	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	64,602	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	1
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	3,636		
Average per farm (\$)	7,421		

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.