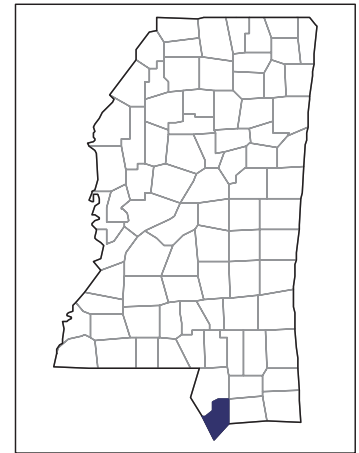


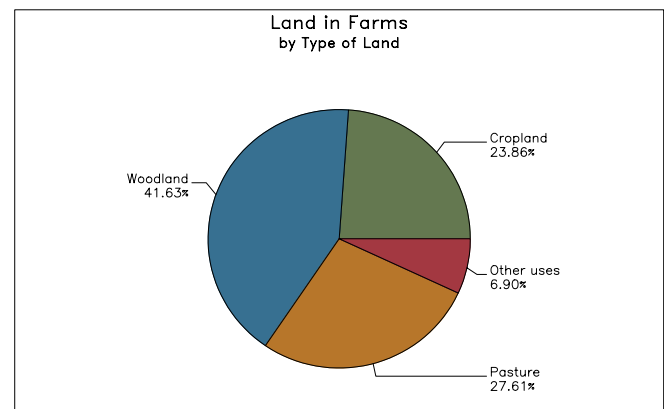
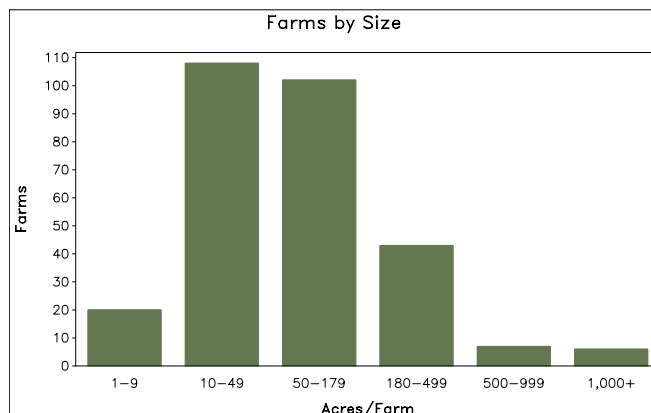
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Hancock County Mississippi



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	286	298	- 4
Land in Farms	42,256 acres	37,721 acres	+ 12
Average Size of Farm	148 acres	127 acres	+ 17
Market Value of Products Sold	\$2,972,000	\$2,529,000	+ 18
Crop Sales (D)			
Livestock Sales (D)			
Average Per Farm	\$10,391	\$8,488	+ 22
Government Payments	\$343,000	\$96,000	+ 257
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,992	\$3,213	+ 118



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Hancock 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	2,972	82	82	2,914	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	(D)	(D)	82	(D)	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	(D)	76	82	(D)	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	82	82	2,912	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	60	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	80	66	80	1,937	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	11	74	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	48	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	108	76	82	2,833	3,054
Poultry and eggs	16	60	76	2,247	3,020
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	81	(D)	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	360	26	50	1,727	2,493
Hogs and pigs	2	58	75	2,670	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	14	33	77	2,482	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	56	47	77	2,128	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	47	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	3	37	72	2,350	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,434	69	82	2,530	3,060
Sod harvested	697	2	23	154	761
Pecans, all	55	38	72	538	1,315
Short-rotation woody crops	(D)	68	74	(D)	1,134
Vegetables harvested for sale	21	65	80	2,098	2,794
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	7,378	54	81	2,227	3,060
Layers	846	42	76	1,765	3,024
Horses and ponies	663	47	82	1,915	3,066
Goats, all	559	19	78	1,343	3,023
Sheep and lambs	386	6	68	1,616	2,891

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	135	Farming	107
\$1,000 to \$2,499	33	Other	179
\$2,500 to \$4,999	28	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	32	Male	256
\$10,000 to \$19,999	23	Female	30
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	8	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	7	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	8	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	White	437
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	5,740	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	20,068	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	9
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-1,876		
Average per farm (\$)	-6,558		

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.