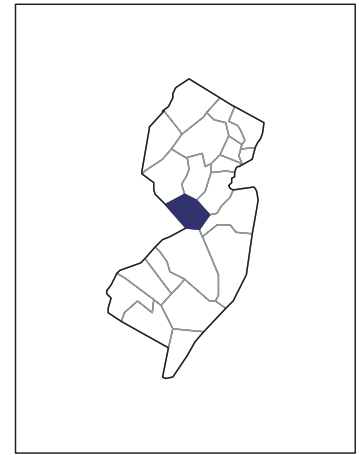


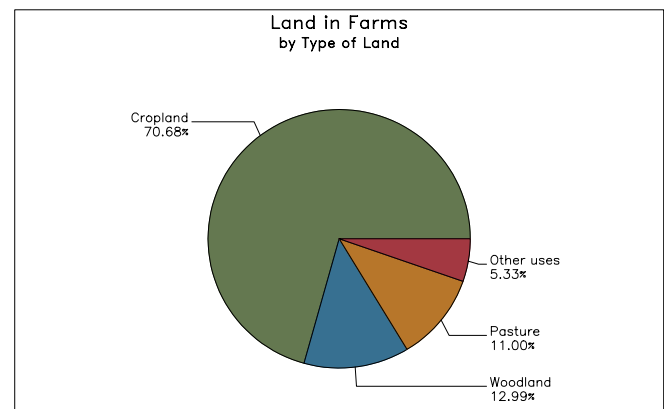
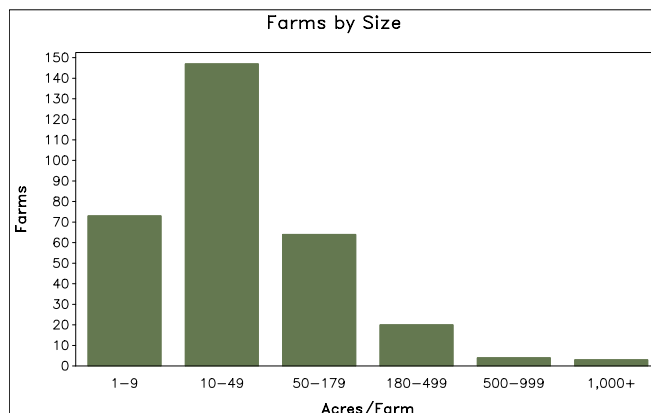
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Mercer County New Jersey



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	311	304	+ 2
Land in Farms	21,730 acres	25,070 acres	- 13
Average Size of Farm	70 acres	82 acres	- 15
Market Value of Products Sold	\$18,646,000	\$12,247,000	+ 52
Crop Sales \$15,011,000 (81 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$3,635,000 (19 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$59,956	\$40,286	+ 49
Government Payments	\$286,000	\$140,000	+ 104
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,983	\$4,815	+ 45



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Mercer County – New Jersey

Ranked items among the 21 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	18,646	13	20	2,305	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	15,011	12	20	1,631	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	3,635	11	20	2,584	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,641	7	17	1,703	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,718	11	20	489	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	1,318	10	20	393	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	7,979	12	20	342	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	51	12	18	596	1,710
Other crops and hay	304	11	18	2,462	3,054
Poultry and eggs	590	6	20	1,084	3,020
Cattle and calves	237	8	19	2,902	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	597	9	13	1,546	2,493
Hogs and pigs	7	15	18	2,392	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	11	18	(D)	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,681	5	20	109	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	15	16	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	4	18	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	4,040	8	14	1,233	2,039
Corn for grain	3,434	7	16	1,522	2,634
Forage – land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,123	11	18	2,717	3,060
Nursery stock	698	8	20	135	2,130
Vegetables harvested for sale	626	14	20	664	2,794
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	(D)	1	18	288	2,371
Layers	3,063	10	20	937	3,024
Pheasants	(D)	10	16	(D)	1,544
Horses and ponies	871	12	20	1,559	3,066
Sheep and lambs	806	9	19	1,074	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	94	Farming	127
\$1,000 to \$2,499	47	Other	184
\$2,500 to \$4,999	19	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	23	Male	235
\$10,000 to \$19,999	20	Female	76
\$20,000 to \$24,999	13	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	31	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	10	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	17	Asian	10
\$100,000 to \$249,999	14	Black or African American	3
\$250,000 to \$499,999	14	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	9	White	470
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	19,885	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	63,939	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	12
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,785		
Average per farm (\$)	5,740		

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.