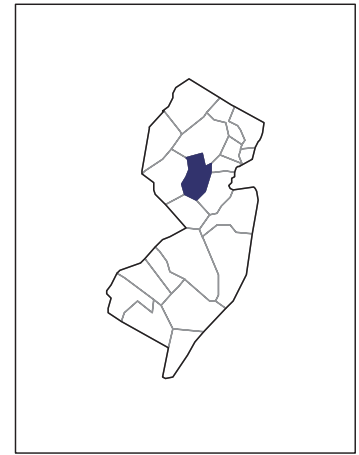


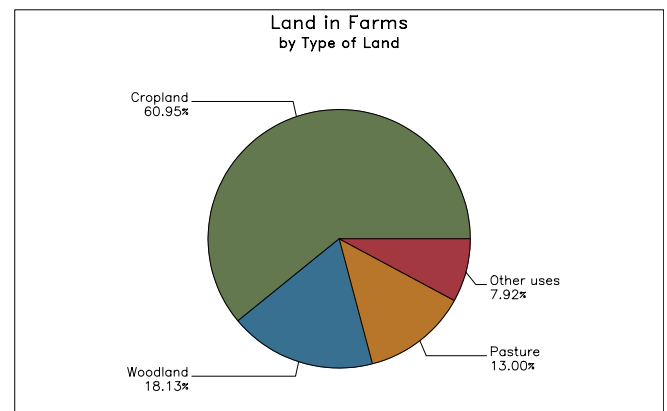
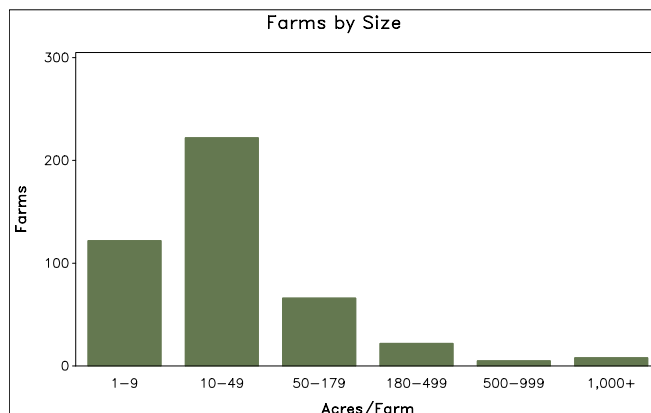
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Somerset County New Jersey



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	445	442	+ 1
Land in Farms	32,721 acres	36,237 acres	- 10
Average Size of Farm	74 acres	82 acres	- 10
Market Value of Products Sold	\$18,911,000	\$15,064,000	+ 26
Crop Sales \$9,630,000 (51 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$9,281,000 (49 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$42,496	\$34,081	+ 25
Government Payments	\$213,000	\$210,000	+ 1
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$8,186	\$8,393	- 2



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Somerset 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	18,911	12	20	2,296	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	9,630	15	20	1,883	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	9,281	5	20	2,089	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,471	10	17	1,871	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	370	18	20	1,217	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	308	16	20	888	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	6,344	15	20	401	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	75	10	18	485	1,710
Other crops and hay	1,063	7	18	1,452	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	4	20	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	657	5	19	2,725	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	8	13	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	41	9	18	1,663	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	91	9	18	1,185	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	420	11	20	579	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	16	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	1	18	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	8,432	5	18	1,877	3,060
Corn for grain	2,378	10	16	1,644	2,634
Soybeans for beans	1,345	10	14	1,482	2,039
Wheat for grain, all	1,179	6	14	1,569	2,481
Cut Christmas trees	384	7	18	162	1,756
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Quail	(D)	1	12	(D)	1,386
Pheasants	(D)	4	16	(D)	1,544
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	1	17	(D)	2,476
Layers	6,864	6	20	747	3,024
Turkeys	(D)	2	18	(D)	2,371

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	138	Farming	167
\$1,000 to \$2,499	91	Other	278
\$2,500 to \$4,999	54	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	52	Male	337
\$10,000 to \$19,999	30	Female	108
\$20,000 to \$24,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	19	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	20	Asian	10
\$100,000 to \$249,999	14	Black or African American	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	6	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	5	White	630
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	20,570	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	46,224	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	11
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,881		
Average per farm (\$)	4,226		

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.