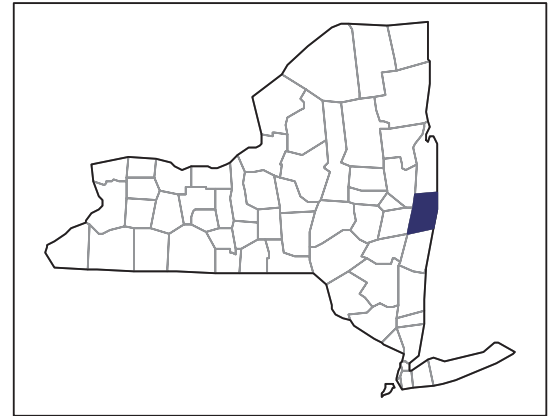


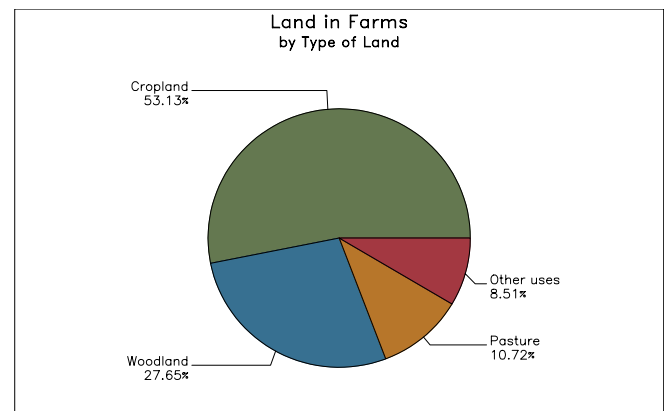
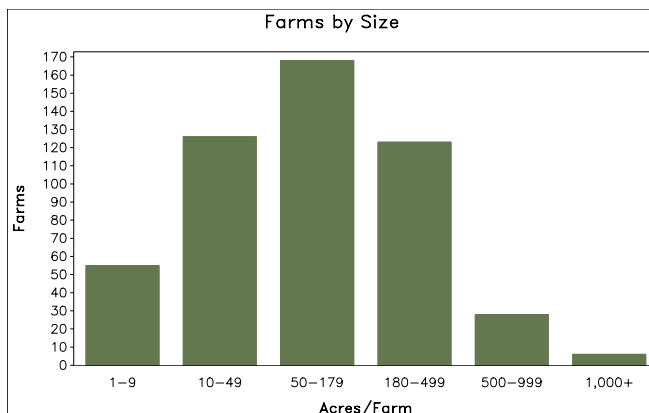
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Rensselaer County New York



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	506	549	- 8
Land in Farms	85,034 acres	92,344 acres	- 8
Average Size of Farm	168 acres	168 acres	0
Market Value of Products Sold	\$37,512,000	\$28,122,000	+ 33
Crop Sales \$14,102,000 (38 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$23,410,000 (62 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$74,133	\$51,224	+ 45
Government Payments	\$818,000	\$1,480,000	- 45
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,346	\$10,209	- 48



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County Profile

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Ranked items among the 62 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	37,512	41	61	1,806	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	14,102	30	61	1,667	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	23,410	37	58	1,394	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,621	27	54	1,706	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	3,778	21	59	395	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	1,342	25	58	390	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	3,887	21	61	555	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	53	39	54	584	1,710
Other crops and hay	2,422	29	55	711	3,054
Poultry and eggs	236	22	57	1,227	3,020
Cattle and calves	2,246	40	54	2,230	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	19,660	36	54	303	2,493
Hogs and pigs	102	24	55	1,372	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	210	11	55	601	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	809	14	57	273	3,024
Aquaculture	4	32	40	1,140	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	143	32	57	833	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	25,364	35	54	842	3,060
Corn for grain	6,552	23	53	1,323	2,634
Corn for silage	4,696	36	52	331	2,263
Vegetables harvested for sale	1,324	21	58	438	2,794
Sweet corn	778	14	57	129	2,384
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers	12,571	17	57	693	3,024
Cattle and calves	12,522	36	55	1,821	3,060
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,476
Sheep and lambs	1,866	10	55	526	2,891
Horses and ponies	1,118	38	58	1,238	3,066

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	131	Farming	271
\$1,000 to \$2,499	50	Other	235
\$2,500 to \$4,999	34	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	56	Male	398
\$10,000 to \$19,999	54	Female	108
\$20,000 to \$24,999	31	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	39	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	15	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	28	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	31	Black or African American	4
\$250,000 to \$499,999	21	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	16	White	825
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	35,621	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	70,397	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,745		
Average per farm (\$)	9,378		

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.