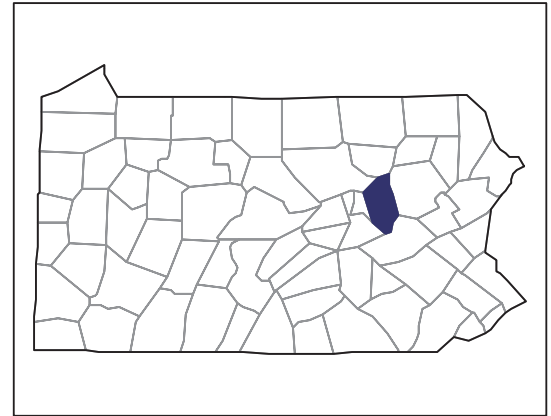


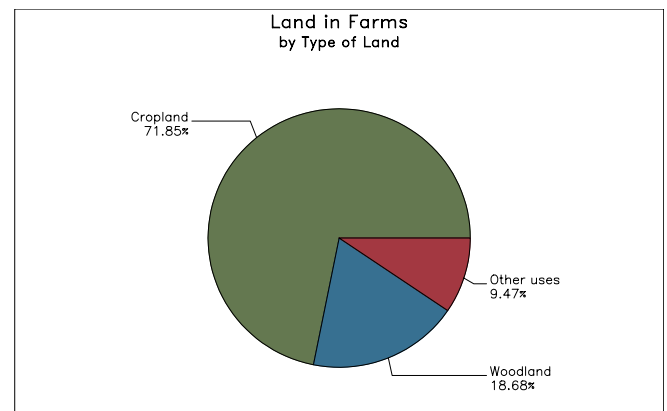
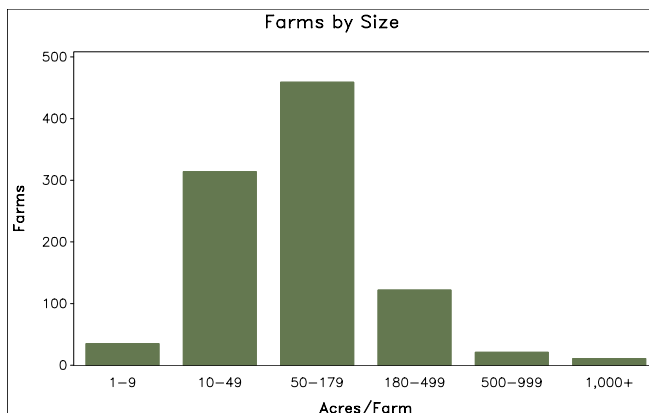
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Columbia County Pennsylvania



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	962	884	+ 9
Land in Farms	122,621 acres	123,514 acres	- 1
Average Size of Farm	127 acres	140 acres	- 9
Market Value of Products Sold	\$45,874,000	\$35,123,000	+ 31
Crop Sales \$27,227,000 (59 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$18,648,000 (41 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$47,687	\$39,732	+ 20
Government Payments	\$2,138,000	\$1,616,000	+ 32
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$3,881	\$4,133	- 6



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County Profile

Columbia County – Pennsylvania

Ranked items among the 67 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	45,874	34	67	1,642	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	27,227	14	67	1,283	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	18,648	37	67	1,571	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	11,762	14	67	1,177	2,933
Tobacco	(D)	19	19	429	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	4,693	5	67	341	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	3,965	22	65	548	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	4,369	1	66	12	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	3,054
Poultry and eggs	5,112	19	67	704	3,020
Cattle and calves	2,078	45	67	2,278	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	9,150	40	65	508	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1,704	23	66	796	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	48	48	66	1,697	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	67	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	59	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	207	32	67	681	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	22,750	14	66	892	2,634
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	14,690	47	67	1,341	3,060
Soybeans for beans	9,474	15	61	1,041	2,039
Cut Christmas trees	5,029	1	66	10	1,756
Wheat for grain, all	5,019	10	60	978	2,481
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	303,287	14	62	442	2,476
Layers	(D)	17	67	(D)	3,024
Turkeys	(D)	20	63	299	2,371
Cattle and calves	9,119	44	67	2,069	3,060
Hogs and pigs	8,362	23	66	738	2,958

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	489	Farming	370
\$1,000 to \$2,499	52	Other	592
\$2,500 to \$4,999	61	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	66	Male	791
\$10,000 to \$19,999	67	Female	171
\$20,000 to \$24,999	19	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	36	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	20	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	50	Asian	9
\$100,000 to \$249,999	64	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	17	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	21	White	1,322
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	41,628	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	43,273	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	8
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	8,676		
Average per farm (\$)	9,018		

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.