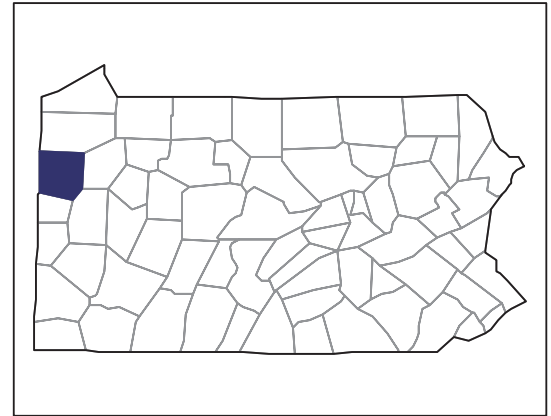


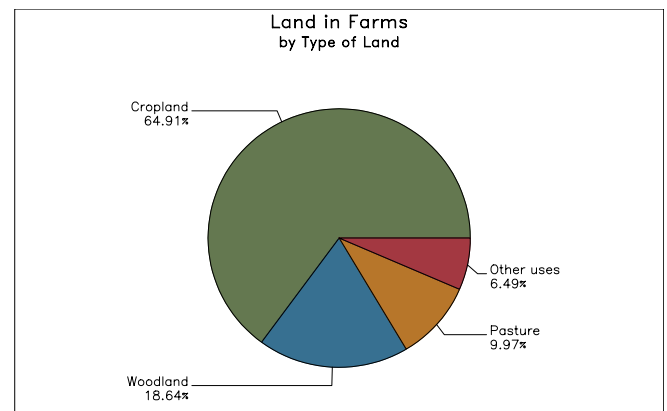
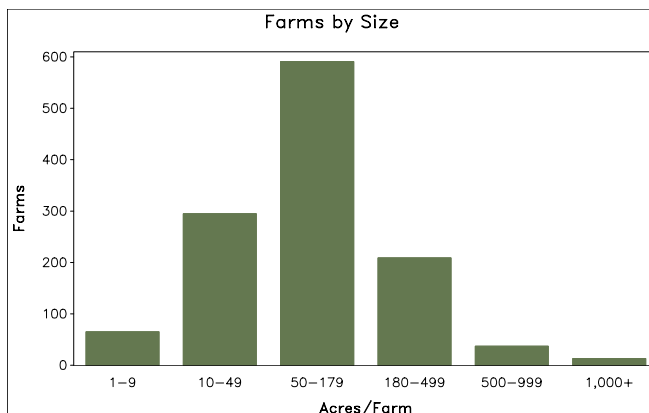
# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## County Profile

### Mercer County Pennsylvania



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,210	1,239	- 2
<b>Land in Farms</b>	171,860 acres	164,306 acres	+ 5
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	142 acres	133 acres	+ 7
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$60,655,000	\$43,737,000	+ 39
Crop Sales \$22,642,000 (37 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$38,013,000 (63 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$50,128	\$35,300	+ 42
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$1,724,000	\$1,753,000	- 2
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$3,707	\$5,765	- 36



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### Mercer County – Pennsylvania

#### Ranked items among the 67 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	60,655	28	67	1,385	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	22,642	17	67	1,389	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	38,013	26	67	991	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	14,319	11	67	1,110	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	19	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,655	26	67	645	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	40	66	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	3,418	26	65	608	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	62	66	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	2,797	20	66	610	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	47	67	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	8,591	21	67	1,310	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	27,291	20	65	243	2,493
Hogs and pigs	499	29	66	1,043	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	206	21	66	612	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	253	26	67	922	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	49	59	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	871	10	67	235	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	35,428	18	67	550	3,060
Corn for grain	31,477	5	66	759	2,634
Soybeans for beans	12,590	12	61	970	2,039
Corn for silage	6,877	21	64	219	2,263
Oats for grain	4,561	4	64	57	1,957
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	28,249	18	67	1,085	3,060
Layers	4,383	33	67	821	3,024
Mink and their pelts	(D)	3	7	64	123
Hogs and pigs	3,182	31	66	960	2,958
Horses and ponies	2,597	11	67	356	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	327	Farming	570
\$1,000 to \$2,499	123	Other	640
\$2,500 to \$4,999	105	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	140	Male	1,067
\$10,000 to \$19,999	125	Female	143
\$20,000 to \$24,999	37	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	90	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	40	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	63	Asian	1
\$100,000 to \$249,999	104	Black or African American	3
\$250,000 to \$499,999	35	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	21	White	1,822
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	53,639	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	44,330	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	8
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	11,588		
Average per farm (\$)	9,577		

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.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. <sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.