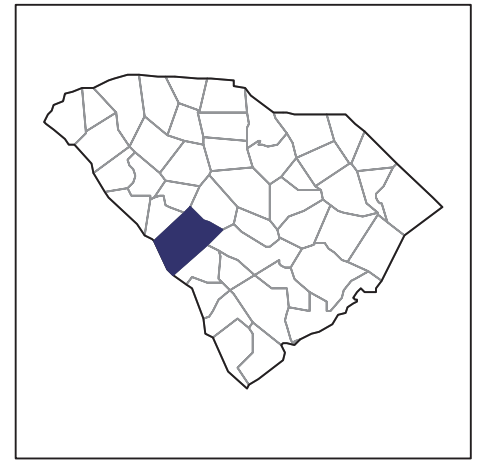


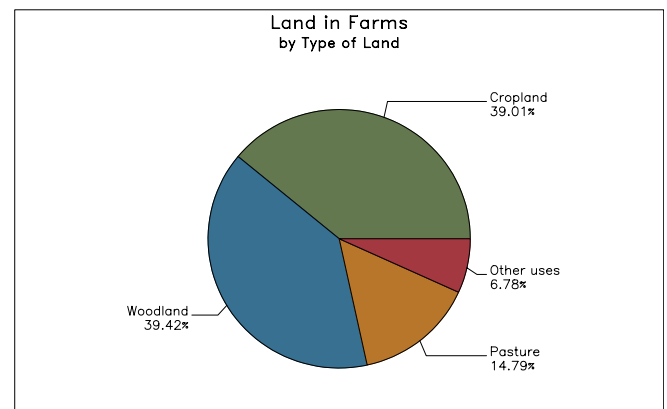
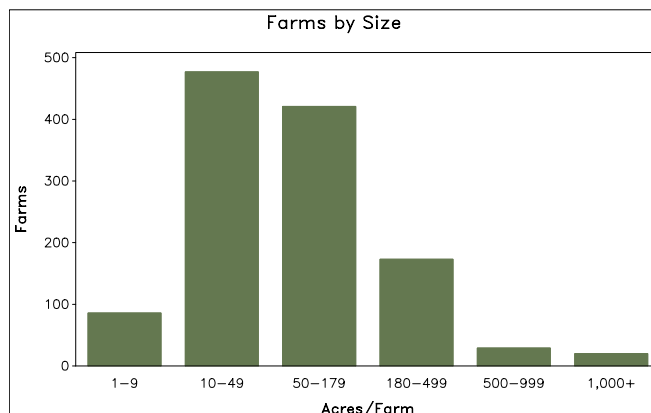
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Aiken County South Carolina



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	1,206	929	+ 30
Land in Farms	159,312 acres	143,942 acres	+ 11
Average Size of Farm	132 acres	155 acres	- 15
Market Value of Products Sold	\$102,796,000	\$50,450,000	+ 104
Crop Sales \$10,375,000 (10 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$92,420,000 (90 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$85,237	\$54,306	+ 57
Government Payments	\$1,497,000	\$640,000	+ 134
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,690	\$4,130	+ 38



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Aiken County – South Carolina

Ranked items among the 46 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	102,796	5	46	867	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	10,375	27	46	1,846	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	92,420	5	46	435	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,150	22	45	1,764	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	15	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	16	33	409	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,732	11	46	635	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2,270	5	45	279	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,847	28	45	838	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	37	40	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	1,719	11	46	1,002	3,054
Poultry and eggs	83,027	4	46	128	3,020
Cattle and calves	3,020	13	46	2,064	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	27	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	72	20	45	1,475	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	89	3	46	1,202	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	6,167	1	46	23	3,024
Aquaculture	18	15	29	943	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	27	15	43	1,639	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	17,917	4	46	1,140	3,060
Corn for grain	5,837	21	44	1,364	2,634
Soybeans for beans	4,051	19	44	1,232	2,039
Cotton, all	2,536	15	33	359	627
Wheat for grain, all	1,310	19	43	1,516	2,481
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	5,812,926	3	39	92	2,476
Pullets for laying flock replacement	144,725	3	40	191	2,627
Layers	119,189	10	46	356	3,024
Cattle and calves	12,737	11	46	1,810	3,060
Horses and ponies	3,574	1	46	171	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	583	Farming	469
\$1,000 to \$2,499	134	Other	737
\$2,500 to \$4,999	102	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	115	Male	924
\$10,000 to \$19,999	71	Female	282
\$20,000 to \$24,999	31	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	49	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	22	American Indian or Alaska Native	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	18	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	16	Black or African American	159
\$250,000 to \$499,999	10	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
\$500,000 or more	55	White	1,620
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	95,903	More than one race	30
Average per farm (\$)	79,521	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	27
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	13,775		
Average per farm (\$)	11,422		

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.