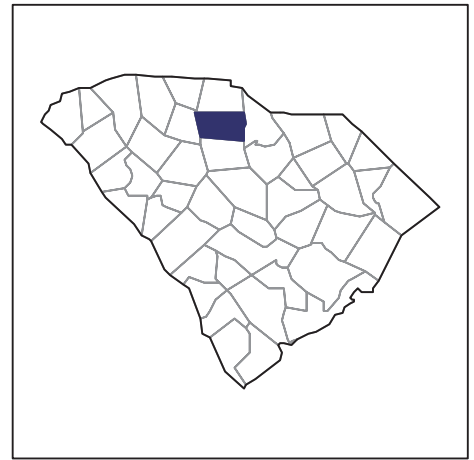


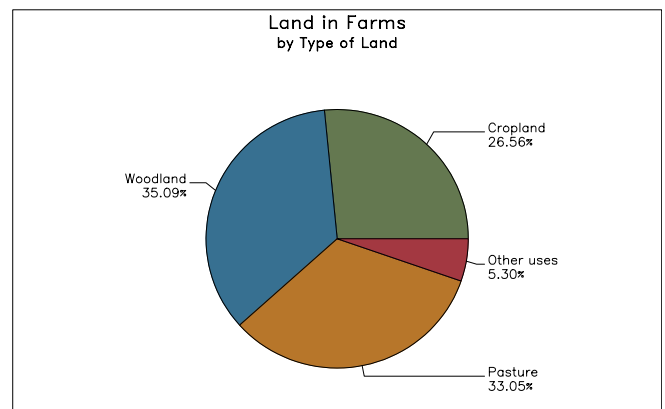
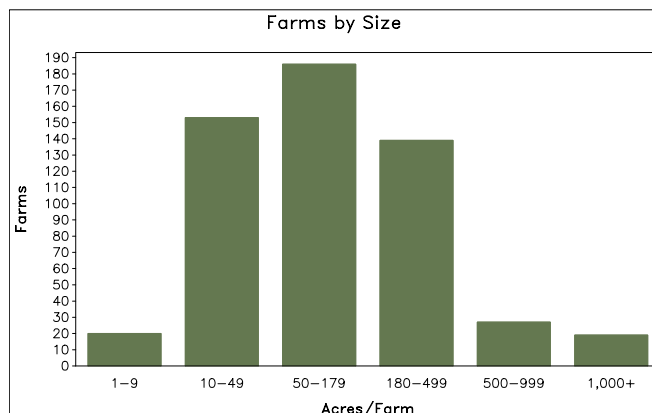
# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## County Profile

### Chester County South Carolina



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	544	430	+ 27
<b>Land in Farms</b>	111,820 acres	97,237 acres	+ 15
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	206 acres	226 acres	- 9
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$30,115,000	\$17,577,000	+ 71
Crop Sales \$1,815,000 (6 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$28,300,000 (94 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$55,359	\$40,877	+ 35
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$377,000	\$250,000	+ 51
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$6,284	\$3,900	+ 61



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#### Ranked items among the 46 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	30,115	26	46	1,983	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,815	42	46	2,615	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	28,300	19	46	1,232	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	330	30	45	2,237	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	15	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	420	20	33	440	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	382	29	46	1,196	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	23	45	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	77	40	45	2,112	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	33	40	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	36	46	(D)	3,054
Poultry and eggs	20,275	20	46	403	3,020
Cattle and calves	4,948	7	46	1,715	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	7	27	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	13	31	45	2,163	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	13	31	46	2,509	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	27	29	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	520	1	43	370	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,040	10	46	1,538	3,060
Cotton, all	1,968	18	33	394	627
Wheat for grain, all	1,185	20	43	1,566	2,481
Corn for silage	499	7	32	1,339	2,263
Soybeans for beans	410	36	44	1,704	2,039
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Turkeys	145,058	11	41	142	2,371
Layers	110,120	12	46	370	3,024
Cattle and calves	18,440	5	46	1,494	3,060
Horses and ponies	791	22	46	1,694	3,066
Goats, all	403	33	46	1,692	3,023

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	218	Farming	200
\$1,000 to \$2,499	80	Other	344
\$2,500 to \$4,999	50	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	62	Male	437
\$10,000 to \$19,999	49	Female	107
\$20,000 to \$24,999	15	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	20	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	American Indian or Alaska Native	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	13	Black or African American	46
\$250,000 to \$499,999	3	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	11	White	678
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	25,994	More than one race	10
Average per farm (\$)	47,783	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	5,321		
Average per farm (\$)	9,781		

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.