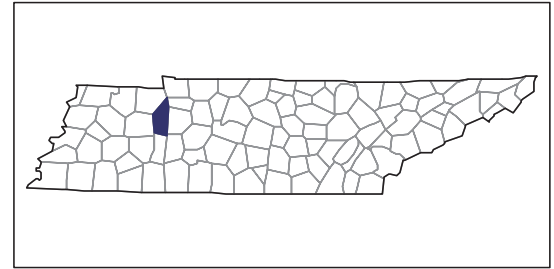


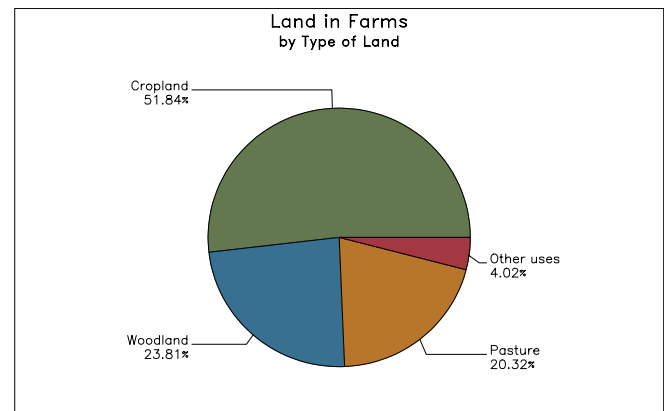
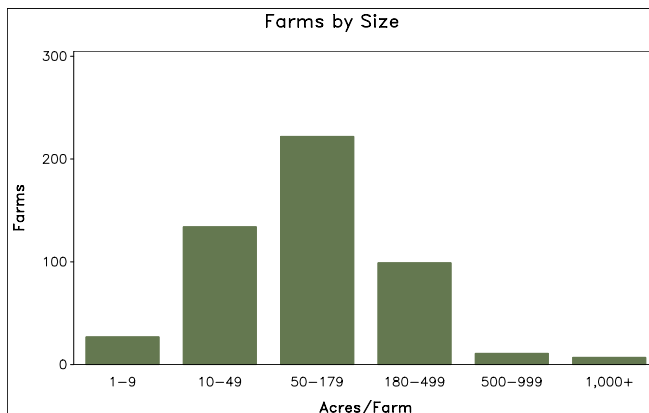
# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## County Profile



## Benton County Tennessee

	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	500	595	- 16
<b>Land in Farms</b>	72,522 acres	78,013 acres	- 7
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	145 acres	131 acres	+ 11
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$4,603,000	\$5,187,000	- 11
Crop Sales \$2,092,000 (45 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$2,512,000 (55 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$9,207	\$8,718	+ 6
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$572,000	\$394,000	+ 45
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$2,831	\$2,343	+ 21



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### Benton County – Tennessee

#### Ranked items among the 95 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	4,603	86	95	2,835	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,092	64	95	2,568	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	2,512	84	95	2,722	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,845	37	94	1,816	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	60	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	25	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	52	82	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	20	88	93	2,438	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	63	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	215	59	95	2,643	3,054
Poultry and eggs	7	84	94	2,590	3,020
Cattle and calves	2,214	82	95	2,237	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	81	85	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	33	43	90	1,749	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	114	61	94	1,593	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	11	50	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(Z)	89	95	2,650	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	8,630	77	95	1,859	3,060
Corn for grain	4,207	34	94	1,458	2,634
Soybeans for beans	3,881	36	79	1,242	2,039
Wheat for grain, all	200	54	81	2,058	2,481
Corn for silage	(D)	61	82	(D)	2,263
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	8,990	81	95	2,080	3,060
Layers	754	68	94	1,871	3,024
Horses and ponies	657	75	95	1,930	3,066
Goats, all	588	69	95	1,296	3,023
Hogs and pigs	156	59	93	1,943	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	213	Farming	179
\$1,000 to \$2,499	69	Other	321
\$2,500 to \$4,999	56	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	71	Male	417
\$10,000 to \$19,999	40	Female	83
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	19	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11	Asian	5
\$100,000 to \$249,999	4	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	White	701
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	7,003	More than one race	9
Average per farm (\$)	14,007	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	5
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-1,353		
Average per farm (\$)	-2,706		

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.