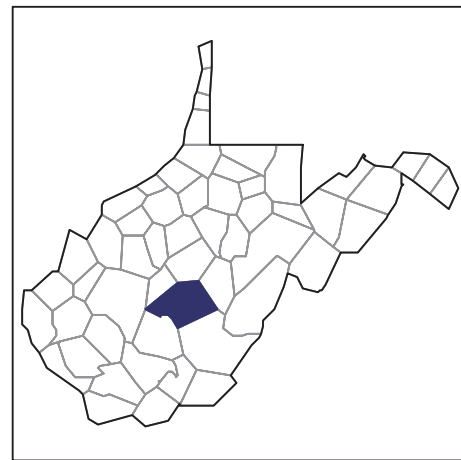


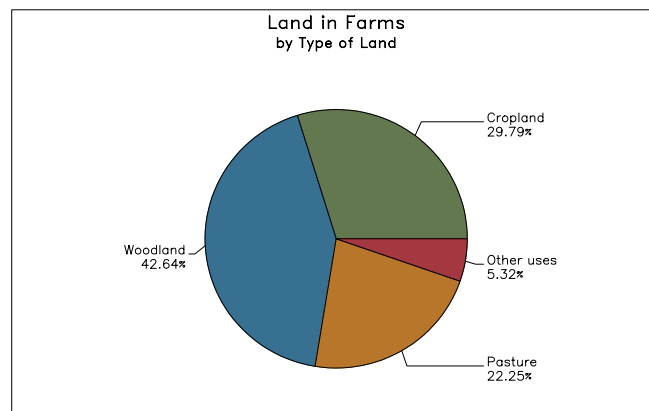
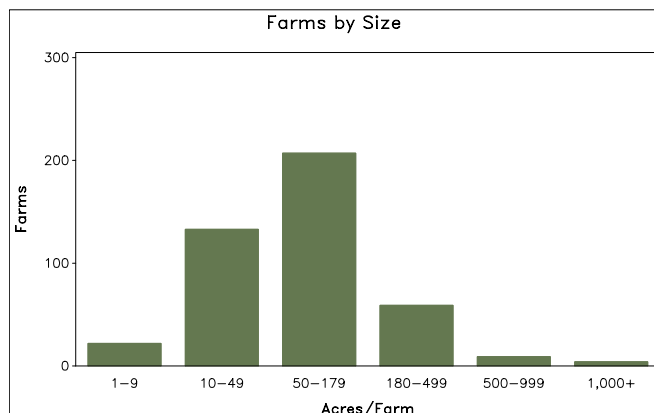
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## County Profile

### Nicholas County West Virginia



|  | 2007         | 2002         | % change |
|--|--------------|--------------|----------|
| <b>Number of Farms</b>                     | 434          | 332          | + 31     |
| <b>Land in Farms</b>                       | 51,332 acres | 43,922 acres | + 17     |
| <b>Average Size of Farm</b>                | 118 acres    | 132 acres    | - 11     |
| <b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>       | \$2,713,000  | \$2,483,000  | + 9      |
| Crop Sales \$420,000 (15 percent)          |              |              |          |
| Livestock Sales \$2,293,000 (85 percent)   |              |              |          |
| <b>Average Per Farm</b>                    | \$6,252      | \$7,480      | - 16     |
| <b>Government Payments</b>                 | \$18,000     | \$78,000     | - 77     |
| <b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b> | \$476        | \$2,006      | - 76     |



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### Nicholas County – West Virginia

#### Ranked items among the 55 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                               | 2,713    | 30         | 55                    | 2,930     | 3,076                 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse                         | 420      | 35         | 55                    | 2,947     | 3,072                 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products                         | 2,293    | 28         | 55                    | 2,749     | 3,069                 |
| <b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>                      |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas                               | -        | -          | 48                    | -         | 2,933                 |
| Tobacco   | -        | -          | 9                     | -         | 437                   |
| Cotton and cottonseed   | -        | -          | -                     | -         | 626                   |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes                        | (D)      | (D)        | 51                    | (D)       | 2,796                 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries  | 13       | 17         | 48                    | 2,149     | 2,659                 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod                              | (D)      | 48         | 52                    | (D)       | 2,703                 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops                      | (D)      | (D)        | 41                    | (D)       | 1,710                 |
| Other crops and hay   | 343      | 29         | 55                    | 2,386     | 3,054                 |
| Poultry and eggs  | 11       | 39         | 55                    | 2,407     | 3,020                 |
| Cattle and calves   | (D)      | 26         | 55                    | (D)       | 3,054                 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows                                 | (D)      | (D)        | 26                    | (D)       | 2,493                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 8        | 35         | 54                    | 2,341     | 2,922                 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products  | 20       | 33         | 52                    | 2,304     | 2,998                 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys                              | 42       | 34         | 54                    | 2,306     | 3,024                 |
| Aquaculture   | -        | -          | 27                    | -         | 1,498                 |
| Other animals and other animal products                                 | 10       | 31         | 54                    | 2,055     | 2,875                 |
| <b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>   |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 11,653   | 24         | 55                    | 1,567     | 3,060                 |
| Corn for silage   | 128      | 21         | 42                    | 1,815     | 2,263                 |
| Vegetables harvested for sale   | 42       | 14         | 51                    | 1,757     | 2,794                 |
| Apples  | 19       | 20         | 51                    | 787       | 2,144                 |
| Potatoes  | 16       | 4          | 45                    | 498       | 2,124                 |
| <b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>                           |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Cattle and calves   | 6,326    | 26         | 55                    | 2,322     | 3,060                 |
| Layers  | 1,026    | 25         | 55                    | 1,607     | 3,024                 |
| Goats, all  | 809      | 12         | 54                    | 949       | 3,023                 |
| Quail   | (D)      | 1          | 15                    | (D)       | 1,386                 |
| Horses and ponies   | 490      | 34         | 55                    | 2,272     | 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                           | 149      | Farming   | 175      |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499                          | 98       | Other   | 259      |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999                          | 68       | Principal operators by sex:                                       |          |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999                          | 47       | Male  | 388      |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999                        | 47       | Female  | 46       |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999                        | 8        | Average age of principal operator (years)                         | 57.9     |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999                        | 11       | All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :                              |          |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999                        | 2        | American Indian or Alaska Native                                  | -        |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999                        | 1        | Asian   | -        |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999                      | 2        | Black or African American   | -        |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999                      | 1        | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander                         | -        |
| \$500,000 or more                           | -        | White   | 625      |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)    | 3,146    | More than one race  | -        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 7,248    | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup> | 6        |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | -218     |   |          |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | -502     |   |          |

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.