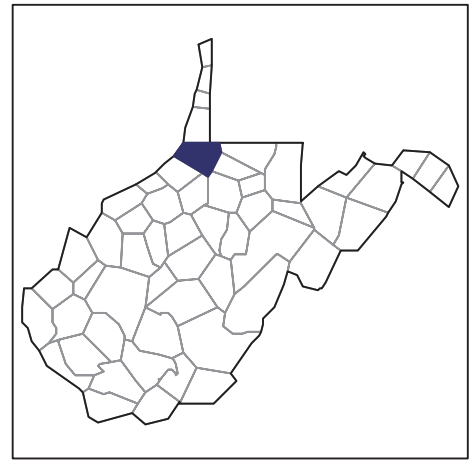


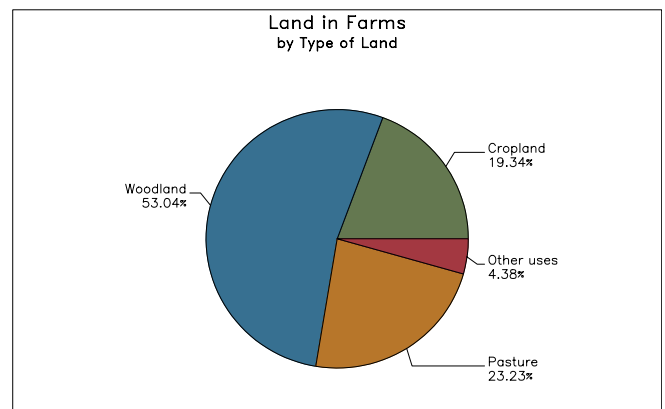
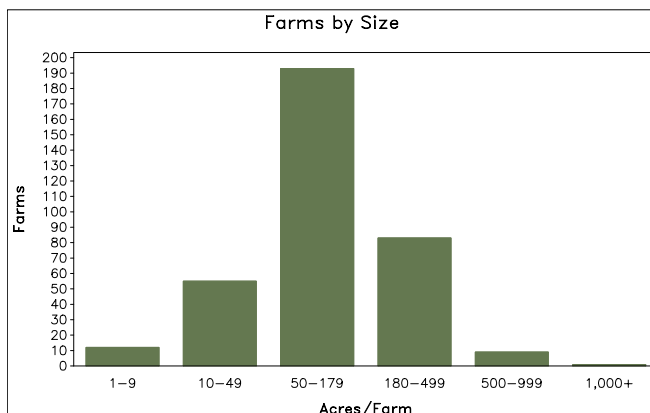
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Wetzel County West Virginia



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	353	336	+ 5
Land in Farms	51,870 acres	49,154 acres	+ 6
Average Size of Farm	147 acres	146 acres	+ 1
Market Value of Products Sold	\$972,000	\$718,000	+ 35
Crop Sales \$305,000 (31 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$667,000 (69 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$2,755	\$2,137	+ 29
Government Payments	\$4,000	(D)	
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$318	(D)	



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Wetzel County – West Virginia

Ranked items among the 55 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	972	44	55	3,013	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	305	42	55	2,979	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	667	44	55	2,947	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	43	48	(D)	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	1	46	48	2,560	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	38	38	52	2,310	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	7	41	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	195	39	55	2,686	3,054
Poultry and eggs	14	33	55	2,331	3,020
Cattle and calves	(D)	46	55	(D)	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	26	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	9	33	54	2,314	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	35	21	52	1,917	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	17	43	54	2,728	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	23	27	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	3	54	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	7,110	38	55	2,019	3,060
Cut Christmas trees	50	13	46	676	1,756
Vegetables harvested for sale	13	35	51	2,249	2,794
Potatoes	6	14	45	754	2,124
Apples	4	41	51	1,404	2,144
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	2,073	43	55	2,771	3,060
Layers	1,173	21	55	1,485	3,024
Colonies of bees	(D)	3	54	(D)	2,640
Goats, all	507	22	54	1,447	3,023
Horses and ponies	457	36	55	2,332	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	163	Farming	145
\$1,000 to \$2,499	90	Other	208
\$2,500 to \$4,999	60	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	30	Male	292
\$10,000 to \$19,999	6	Female	61
\$20,000 to \$24,999	-	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	1	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	White	495
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	1,927	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	5,459	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-612		
Average per farm (\$)	-1,732		

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.