

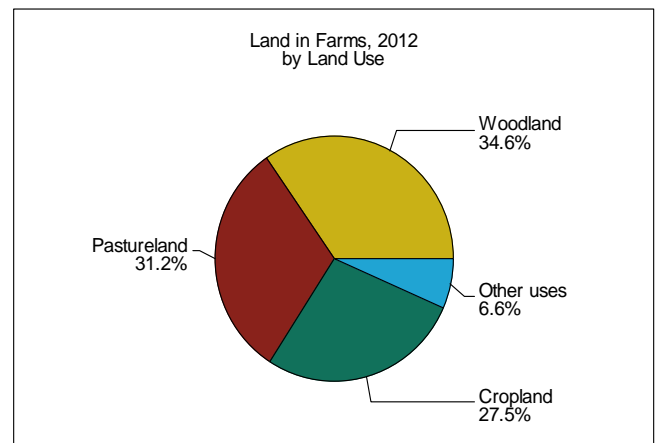
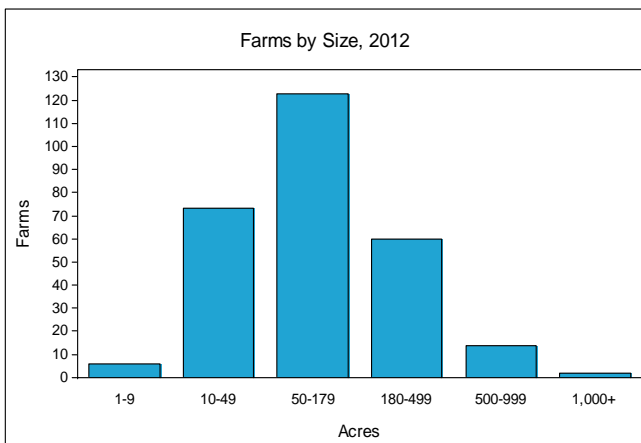
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Columbia County Arkansas

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	278	306	- 9
Land in Farms	45,580 acres	47,044 acres	- 3
Average Size of Farm	164 acres	154 acres	+ 6
Market Value of Products Sold	\$41,709,000	\$45,141,000	- 8
Crop Sales \$5,082,000 (12 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$36,627,000 (88 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$150,031	\$147,521	+ 2
Government Payments	\$84,000	\$14,000	+ 500
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$3,493	\$1,789	+ 95





Columbia County – Arkansas

Ranked items among the 75 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	41,709	57	75	1,913	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	5,082	39	75	2,416	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	36,627	33	75	1,125	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	57	-	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	22	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	11	64	74	2,582	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	73	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	2	58	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	19	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	75	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	33,350	28	73	323	3,013
Cattle and calves	2,940	46	75	2,116	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	23	27	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	18	30	65	1,851	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	10	56	71	2,666	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	73	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	34	34	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	3	49	70	2,623	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	10,612	44	75	1,574	3,057
Nursery stock crops	(D)	1	30	(D)	2,077
Vegetables harvested, all	(D)	(D)	74	(D)	2,801
Peas, green southern	(D)	(D)	53	(D)	751
Peaches, all	(D)	16	45	(D)	1,855
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,801,130	25	65	223	2,723
Layers	106,464	31	75	358	3,040
Roosters	14,680	27	63	145	2,120
Cattle and calves	9,304	45	75	1,988	3,063
Horses and ponies	564	46	75	1,911	3,072

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	72	Farming	117
\$1,000 to \$2,499	22	Other	161
\$2,500 to \$4,999	37	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	40	Male	252
\$10,000 to \$19,999	38	Female	26
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	18	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6	Asian	1
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2	Black or African American	11
\$250,000 to \$499,999	5	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	25	White	406
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	35,349	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	127,156	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	8
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	6,762		
Average per farm (\$)	24,323		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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.