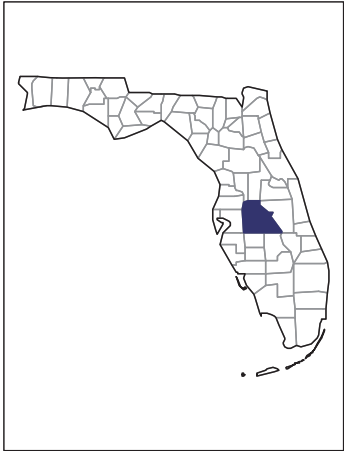


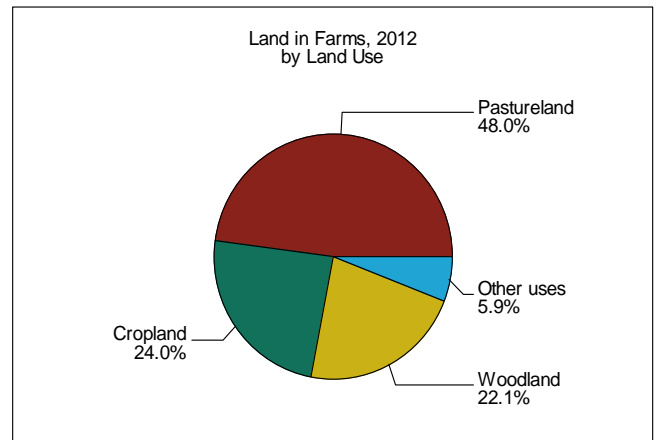
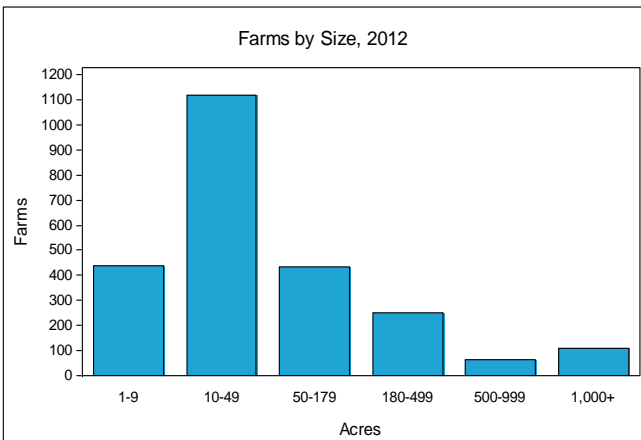
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Polk County Florida

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	2,415	2,768	- 13
Land in Farms	520,899 acres	549,071 acres	- 5
Average Size of Farm	216 acres	198 acres	+ 9
Market Value of Products Sold	\$350,276,000	\$398,956,000	- 12
Crop Sales \$316,031,000 (90 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$34,245,000 (10 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$145,042	\$144,132	+ 1
Government Payments	\$419,000	\$211,000	+ 99
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$12,313	\$4,404	+ 180





Polk County – Florida

Ranked items among the 67 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	350,276	5	67	222	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	316,031	5	67	76	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	34,245	16	67	1,191	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	53	(D)	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	5	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	17	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	8,235	22	64	248	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	264,249	2	65	23	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	42,951	9	64	72	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	34	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	37	66	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	131	24	66	1,324	3,013
Cattle and calves	24,277	5	67	671	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	30	33	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	17	32	64	1,889	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	98	15	64	1,367	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	5,628	4	55	58	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	2,048	7	67	116	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Oranges, all	71,405	2	56	3	174
Valencia oranges	35,786	2	49	2	126
Other oranges	35,619	1	53	2	162
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	21,541	3	67	895	3,057
Grapefruit	3,197	3	47	5	114
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	92,855	4	67	145	3,063
Colonies of bees	17,570	2	67	30	2,761
Layers	7,778	15	66	723	3,040
Horses and ponies	2,994	6	67	200	3,072
Goats, all	2,237	4	65	184	2,996

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	640	Farming	1,095
\$1,000 to \$2,499	182	Other	1,320
\$2,500 to \$4,999	218	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	213	Male	2,010
\$10,000 to \$19,999	200	Female	405
\$20,000 to \$24,999	89	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	160	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	60	American Indian or Alaska Native	23
\$50,000 to \$99,999	210	Asian	49
\$100,000 to \$249,999	200	Black or African American	36
\$250,000 to \$499,999	105	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	6
\$500,000 or more	138	White	3,535
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	269,167	More than one race	17
Average per farm (\$)	111,456	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	177
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	89,599		
Average per farm (\$)	37,101		

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.