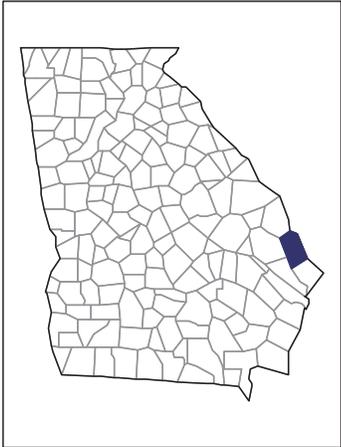


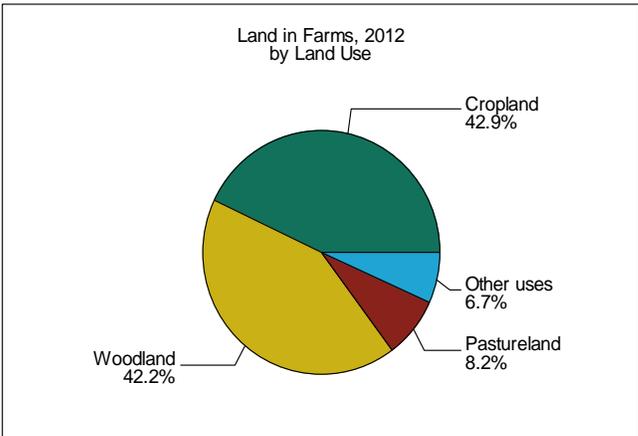
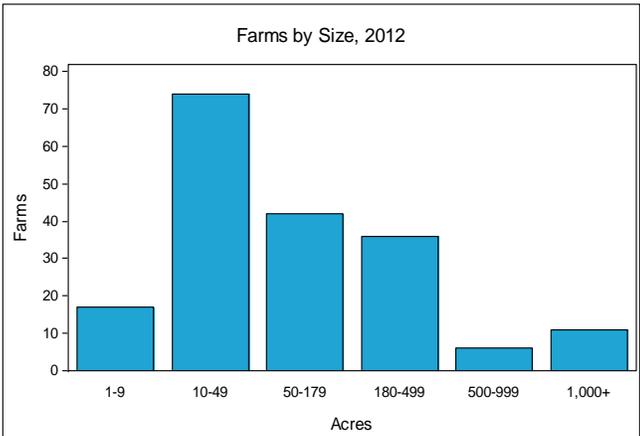
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Effingham County Georgia

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	186	203	- 8
Land in Farms	40,439 acres	40,425 acres	0
Average Size of Farm	217 acres	199 acres	+ 9
Market Value of Products Sold	\$13,771,000	\$5,032,000	+ 174
Crop Sales \$12,468,000 (91 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$1,303,000 (9 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$74,039	\$24,788	+ 199
Government Payments	\$255,000	\$546,000	- 53
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$4,810	\$9,411	- 49





Effingham County – Georgia

Ranked items among the 159 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	13,771	111	159	2,549	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	12,468	64	159	1,981	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,303	129	159	2,839	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	3,117	57	151	1,916	2,926
Tobacco	(D)	20	29	(D)	436
Cotton and cottonseed	2,483	56	84	346	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	81	152	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2	153	156	2,613	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,794	37	144	810	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	65	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	4,604	50	157	637	3,049
Poultry and eggs	23	119	153	1,980	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,087	97	158	2,588	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	67	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	85	124	2,526	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	49	34	154	1,935	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	30	59	143	2,510	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	35	57	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	135	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Cotton, all	3,887	55	84	349	635
Upland cotton	3,887	55	84	348	635
Peanuts for nuts	3,444	48	75	119	364
Soybeans for beans	3,098	26	115	1,400	2,162
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,274	99	159	2,660	3,057
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	3,919	87	158	2,502	3,063
Colonies of bees	(D)	5	137	(D)	2,761
Layers	1,085	69	156	1,801	3,040
Goats, all	601	33	155	1,037	2,996
Sheep and lambs	271	23	120	1,888	2,897

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	66	Farming	66
\$1,000 to \$2,499	18	Other	120
\$2,500 to \$4,999	21	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	14	Male	167
\$10,000 to \$19,999	14	Female	19
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	13	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	6	Black or African American	18
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	11	White	248
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	13,958	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	75,044	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,023		
Average per farm (\$)	5,501		

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.