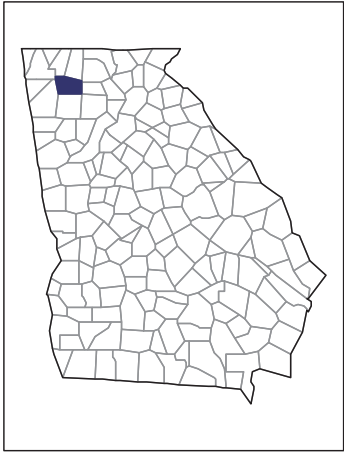


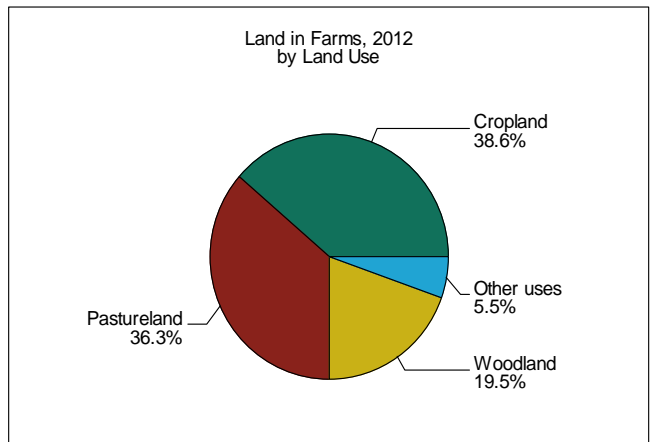
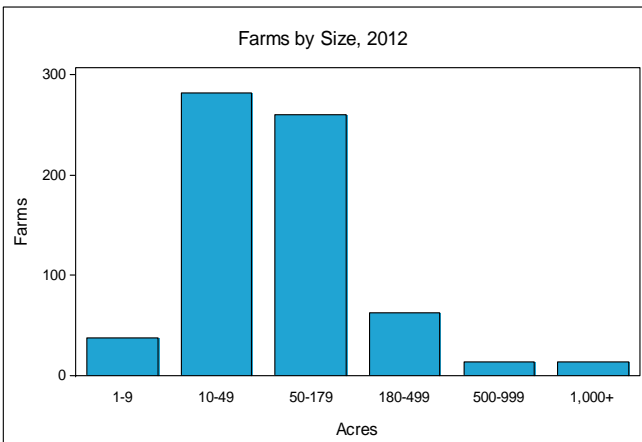
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Gordon County Georgia

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	671	839	- 20
<b>Land in Farms</b>	84,936 acres	79,128 acres	+ 7
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	127 acres	94 acres	+ 35
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$261,200,000	\$182,049,000	+ 43
Crop Sales \$12,691,000 (5 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$248,509,000 (95 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$389,270	\$216,983	+ 79
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$1,200,000	\$380,000	+ 216
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$10,812	\$2,972	+ 264





## Gordon County – Georgia

### Ranked items among the 159 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	261,200	3	159	362	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	12,691	62	159	1,970	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	248,509	2	159	126	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	11,067	21	151	1,478	2,926
Tobacco	(D)	22	29	(D)	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	84	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	138	80	152	1,694	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	156	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	414	76	144	1,439	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	65	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	724	83	157	2,170	3,049
Poultry and eggs	238,929	2	153	22	3,013
Cattle and calves	9,434	5	158	1,359	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	67	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	11	46	124	2,077	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	43	40	154	2,017	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	83	30	143	1,969	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	57	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	9	68	135	2,258	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	14,636	3	159	1,276	3,057
Corn for grain	7,800	14	139	1,288	2,638
Soybeans for beans	6,315	6	115	1,227	2,162
Canola	(D)	1	5	(D)	232
Wheat for grain, all	733	71	120	1,762	2,537
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	12,523,100	3	132	20	2,723
Layers	345,273	14	156	198	3,040
Pullets for laying flock replacement	301,951	8	116	108	2,637
Roosters	30,980	14	105	67	2,120
Cattle and calves	18,583	13	158	1,418	3,063

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	171	Farming	356
\$1,000 to \$2,499	42	Other	315
\$2,500 to \$4,999	69	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	84	Male	597
\$10,000 to \$19,999	77	Female	74
\$20,000 to \$24,999	19	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	21	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	29	Asian	7
\$100,000 to \$249,999	22	Black or African American	3
\$250,000 to \$499,999	9	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	124	White	1,005
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	211,294	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	314,894	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	52,807		
Average per farm (\$)	78,699		

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.

<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.