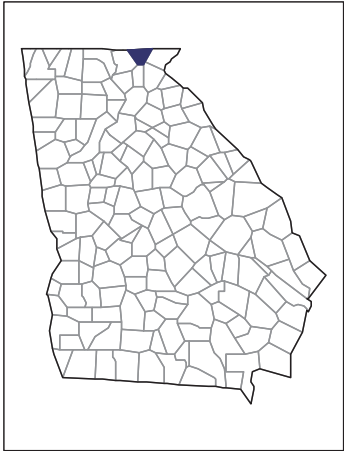


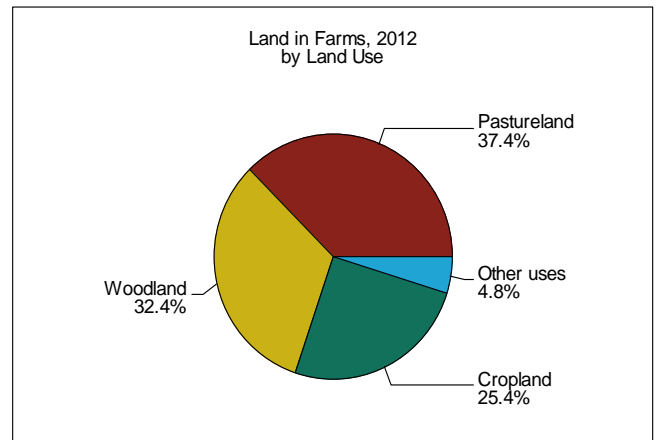
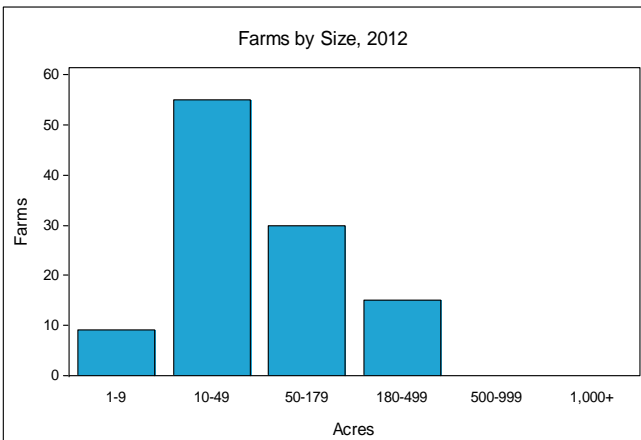
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Towns County Georgia

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	109	116	- 6
Land in Farms	8,416 acres	7,494 acres	+ 12
Average Size of Farm	77 acres	65 acres	+ 18
Market Value of Products Sold	\$3,201,000	\$5,126,000	- 38
Crop Sales \$1,170,000 (37 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$2,031,000 (63 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$29,364	\$44,192	- 34
Government Payments	\$35,000	\$80,000	- 56
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$7,082	\$6,138	+ 15





Towns 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	3,201	143	159	2,926	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,170	131	159	2,850	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	2,031	120	159	2,754	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	150	151	2,917	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	29	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	84	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	152	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	156	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	878	61	144	1,124	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	65	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	185	131	157	2,789	3,049
Poultry and eggs	2	143	153	2,848	3,013
Cattle and calves	(D)	72	158	2,363	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	67	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	-	-	124	-	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	152	154	(D)	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	6	123	143	2,907	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	16	57	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	37	135	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	1,849	110	159	2,730	3,057
Grapes	46	11	111	307	2,144
Sorghum for syrup	(D)	1	3	7	128
Land in Berries	(D)	(D)	135	(D)	2,339
Vegetables harvested, all	4	142	152	2,554	2,801
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	3,676	92	158	2,529	3,063
Roosters	400	54	105	452	2,120
Horses and ponies	112	135	159	2,930	3,072
Layers	106	139	156	2,890	3,040
Alpacas	60	8	46	593	1,691

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	38	Farming	54
\$1,000 to \$2,499	10	Other	55
\$2,500 to \$4,999	18		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	10	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	7	Male	100
\$20,000 to \$24,999	-	Female	9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	4		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	9	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$500,000 or more	-	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	4,769	Black or African American	-
Average per farm (\$)	43,756	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	160
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-1,444	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	-13,251	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	4

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.