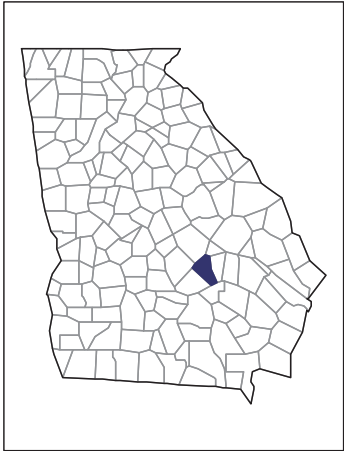


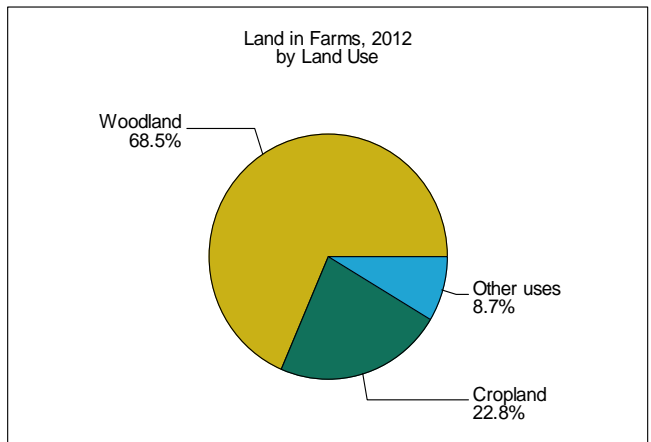
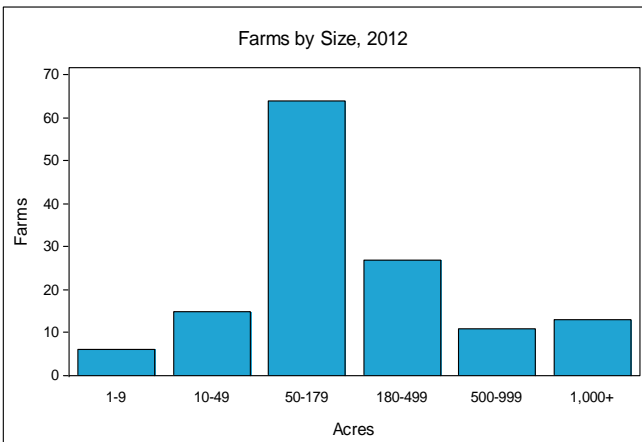
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Wheeler County Georgia

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	136	143	- 5
Land in Farms	50,653 acres	57,175 acres	- 11
Average Size of Farm	372 acres	400 acres	- 7
Market Value of Products Sold	\$8,120,000	\$5,880,000	+ 38
Crop Sales \$7,753,000 (95 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$367,000 (5 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$59,704	\$41,120	+ 45
Government Payments	\$473,000	\$604,000	- 22
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,198	\$6,713	- 23





Wheeler 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	8,120	125	159	2,744	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	7,753	76	159	2,222	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	367	149	159	2,981	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	3,600	51	151	1,868	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	29	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	1,961	60	84	370	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	29	152	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	86	105	156	1,504	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	63	144	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	65	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	174	136	157	2,805	3,049
Poultry and eggs	-	-	153	-	3,013
Cattle and calves	347	135	158	2,847	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	67	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	6	62	124	2,297	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	14	97	154	2,574	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	-	-	143	-	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	57	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	135	-	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Cotton, all	3,263	59	84	367	635
Upland cotton	3,263	59	84	366	635
Wheat for grain, all	2,285	32	120	1,304	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	2,285	32	120	1,234	2,480
Corn for grain	1,634	54	139	1,779	2,638
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	1,252	134	158	2,833	3,063
Goats, all	211	109	155	2,127	2,996
Hogs and pigs	97	47	132	2,029	2,889
Horses and ponies	84	143	159	2,973	3,072
Layers	52	151	156	2,975	3,040

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	75	Farming	35
\$1,000 to \$2,499	12	Other	101
\$2,500 to \$4,999	5		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	5	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	17	Male	121
\$20,000 to \$24,999	-	Female	15
\$25,000 to \$39,999	3		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-	Average age of principal operator (years)	61.4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	10		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	-	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$500,000 or more	7	Asian	-
		Black or African American	14
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	7,624	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Average per farm (\$)	56,060	White	164
		More than one race	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	3,362	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Average per farm (\$)	24,722		

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.