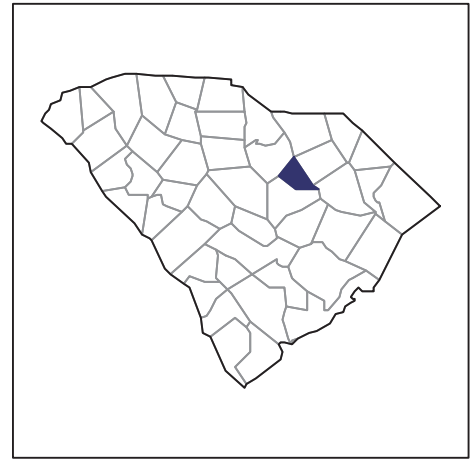


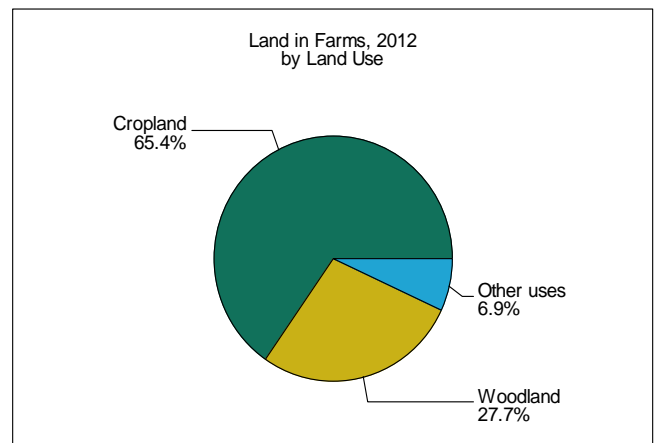
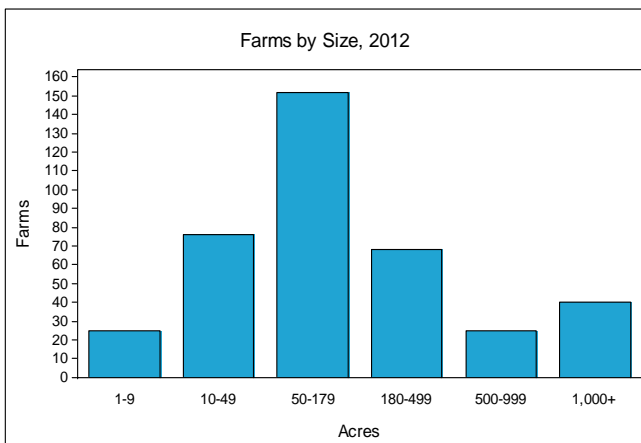
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Lee County South Carolina

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	386	476	- 19
Land in Farms	142,449 acres	141,037 acres	+ 1
Average Size of Farm	369 acres	296 acres	+ 25
Market Value of Products Sold	\$118,589,000	\$69,880,000	+ 70
Crop Sales \$60,886,000 (51 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$57,703,000 (49 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$307,226	\$146,807	+ 109
Government Payments	\$2,289,000	\$5,117,000	- 55
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$8,874	\$15,843	- 44





Lee County – South Carolina

Ranked items among the 46 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	118,589	12	46	1,002	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	60,886	5	46	1,016	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	57,703	13	46	824	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	43,559	3	46	909	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	15	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	10,452	7	32	168	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	4	44	45	2,546	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	15	44	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	28	33	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	3,384	20	46	870	3,049
Poultry and eggs	57,190	11	46	224	3,013
Cattle and calves	355	41	46	2,844	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	21	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	18	26	45	1,856	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	55	18	46	1,855	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	81	34	46	1,988	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	22	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	4	36	45	2,538	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	34,002	2	42	742	2,162
Corn for grain	23,628	5	46	899	2,638
Wheat for grain, all	21,459	2	44	445	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	21,459	2	44	350	2,480
Cotton, all	12,959	9	32	199	635
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	943,802	14	44	317	2,723
Turkeys	470,744	7	42	60	2,416
Cattle and calves	1,874	38	46	2,748	3,063
Goats, all	542	26	46	1,156	2,996
Horses and ponies	462	36	46	2,128	3,072

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	219	Farming	175
\$1,000 to \$2,499	15	Other	211
\$2,500 to \$4,999	17	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	13	Male	311
\$10,000 to \$19,999	19	Female	75
\$20,000 to \$24,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	12	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	14	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	13	Black or African American	62
\$250,000 to \$499,999	8	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	52	White	451
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	80,513	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	208,584	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	42,114		
Average per farm (\$)	109,103		

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.