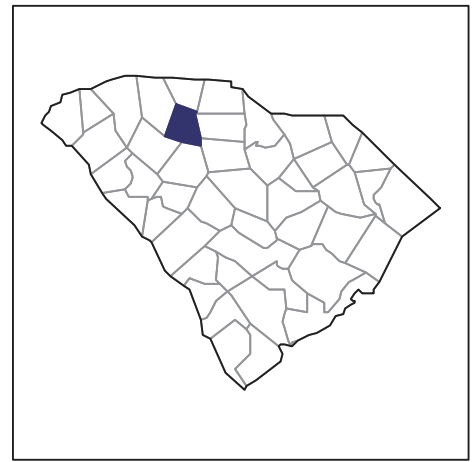


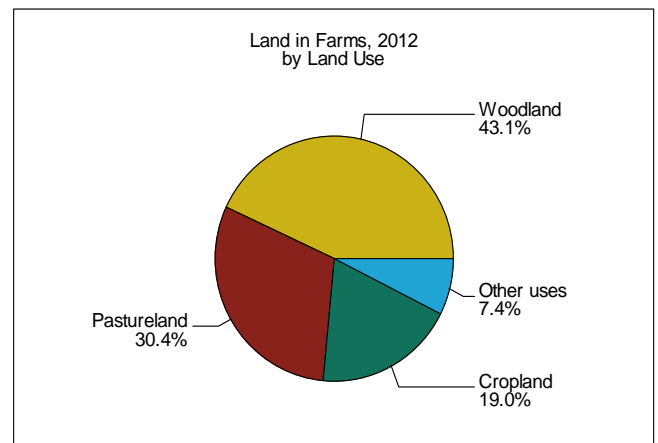
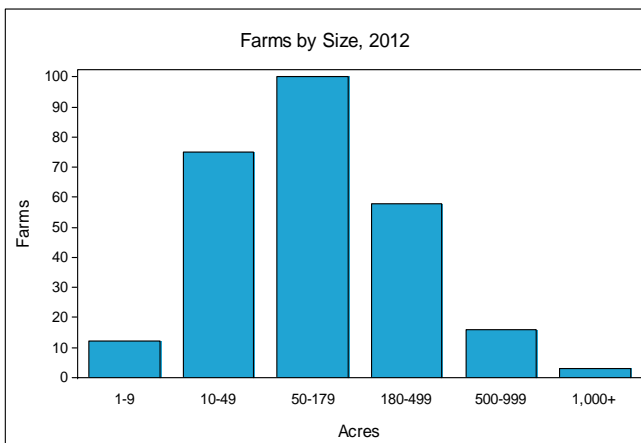
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Union County South Carolina

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	264	262	+ 1
Land in Farms	47,312 acres	45,512 acres	+ 4
Average Size of Farm	179 acres	174 acres	+ 3
Market Value of Products Sold	\$15,344,000	(D)	
Crop Sales \$1,894,000 (12 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$13,450,000 (88 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$58,121	(D)	
Government Payments	\$303,000	\$133,000	+ 128
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$7,966	\$4,938	+ 61





Union 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	15,344	39	46	2,497	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,894	44	46	2,739	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	13,450	27	46	1,908	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	46	46	(D)	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	15	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	32	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	156	41	46	1,638	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	174	31	45	1,145	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	44	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	33	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	25	46	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	21	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	45	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	13	39	46	2,614	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	236	20	46	1,105	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	22	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	4	35	45	2,501	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	5,493	21	46	2,154	3,057
Short-rotation woody crops	626	5	34	24	793
Wheat for grain, all	(D)	42	44	(D)	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	(D)	42	44	(D)	2,480
Nursery stock crops	(D)	19	40	(D)	2,077
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	(D)	13	42	(D)	2,416
Layers	(D)	13	46	(D)	3,040
Cattle and calves	4,920	24	46	2,397	3,063
Horses and ponies	364	38	46	2,365	3,072
Goats, all	311	38	46	1,778	2,996

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	97	Farming	89
\$1,000 to \$2,499	24	Other	175
\$2,500 to \$4,999	31	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	34	Male	247
\$10,000 to \$19,999	33	Female	17
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	14	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1	Black or African American	27
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	3	White	364
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	11,939	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	45,222	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,349		
Average per farm (\$)	16,473		

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.