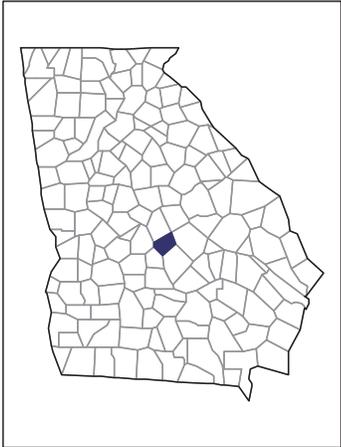


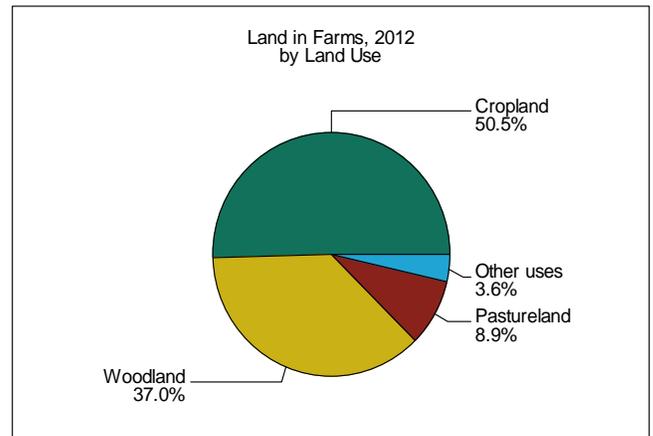
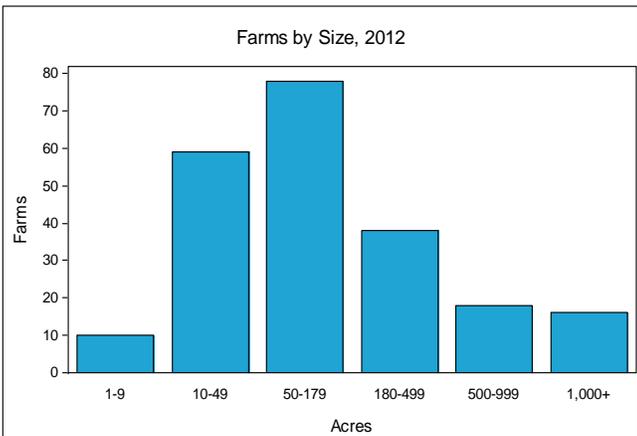
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Bleckley County Georgia

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	219	308	- 29
Land in Farms	65,978 acres	88,047 acres	- 25
Average Size of Farm	301 acres	286 acres	+ 5
Market Value of Products Sold	\$24,638,000	\$19,047,000	+ 29
Crop Sales \$23,127,000 (94 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$1,511,000 (6 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$112,501	\$61,842	+ 82
Government Payments	\$1,049,000	\$2,982,000	- 65
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$7,188	\$16,294	- 56





Bleckley 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	24,638	94	159	2,255	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	23,127	49	159	1,631	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,511	126	159	2,815	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	11,116	19	151	1,474	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	29	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	4,578	50	84	281	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	152	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	90	103	156	1,483	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	122	144	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	65	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	7,294	42	157	410	3,049
Poultry and eggs	2	142	153	2,846	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,460	85	158	2,483	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	67	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	-	-	124	-	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	28	57	154	2,268	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	143	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	57	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	135	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	5,632	12	115	1,258	2,162
Corn for grain	4,984	23	139	1,419	2,638
Cotton, all	4,882	50	84	325	635
Upland cotton	4,882	50	84	324	635
Peanuts for nuts	4,615	45	75	101	364
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	3,670	93	158	2,532	3,063
Goats, all	574	36	155	1,091	2,996
Horses and ponies	312	74	159	2,501	3,072
Layers	76	145	156	2,936	3,040
Sheep and lambs	(D)	(D)	120	(D)	2,897

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	86	Farming	86
\$1,000 to \$2,499	18	Other	133
\$2,500 to \$4,999	14	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	31	Male	191
\$10,000 to \$19,999	9	Female	28
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	8	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11	Asian	4
\$100,000 to \$249,999	14	Black or African American	9
\$250,000 to \$499,999	7	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	16	White	262
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	19,542	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	89,235	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	6,776		
Average per farm (\$)	30,941		

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.