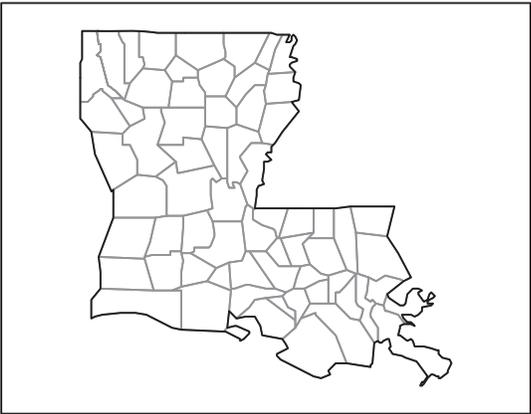


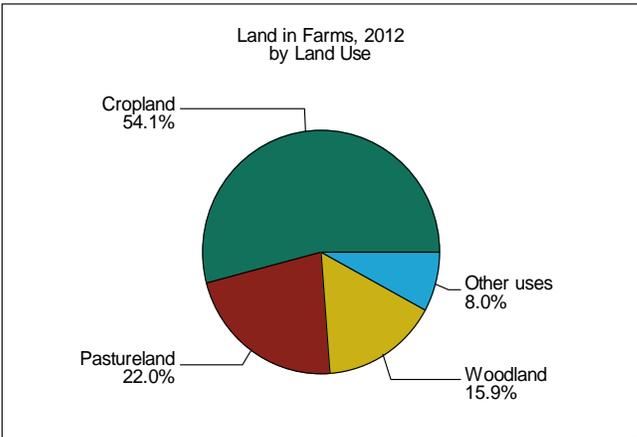
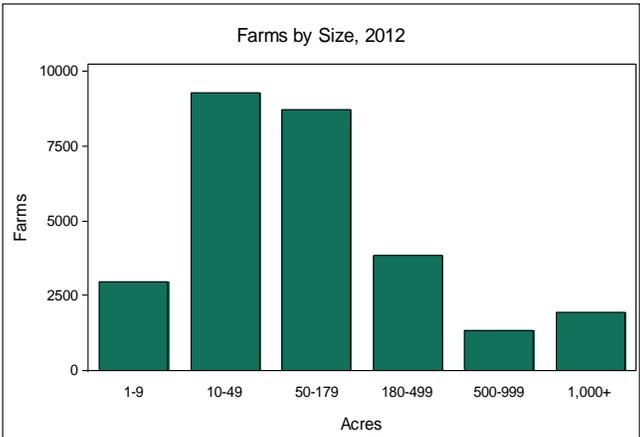
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

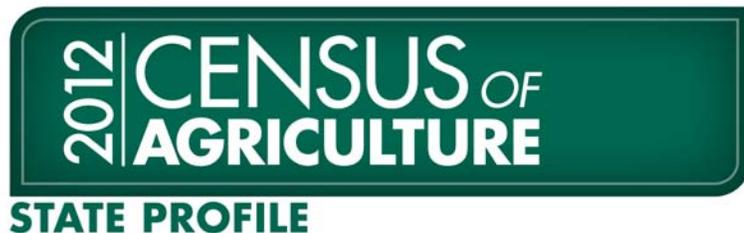
## STATE PROFILE



### Louisiana

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	28,093	30,106	- 7
<b>Land in Farms</b>	7,900,864 acres	8,109,975 acres	- 3
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	281 acres	269 acres	+ 4
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$3,809,401,000	\$2,617,981,000	+ 46
Crop Sales \$2,783,610,000 (73 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$1,025,791,000 (27 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$135,600	\$86,959	+ 56
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$138,164,000	\$169,333,000	- 18
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$14,625	\$15,943	- 8





## Louisiana

### Ranked items within U.S., 2012

Item	Quantity	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>			
Total value of agricultural products sold	3,809,401	30	50
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,783,610	23	50
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,025,791	38	50
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>			
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,832,208	16	50
Tobacco	-	-	19
Cotton and cottonseed	159,592	12	17
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	41,868	35	50
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	30	50
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	90,429	29	50
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	12	49
Other crops and hay	635,274	9	50
Poultry and eggs	574,239	20	50
Cattle and calves	249,963	36	50
Milk from cows	42,628	41	50
Hogs and pigs	(D)	46	50
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	(D)	50
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	17,203	25	50
Aquaculture	122,989	3	50
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	24	50
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>			
Soybeans for beans	1,113,650	18	45
Corn for grain	524,008	22	49
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	467,676	35	50
Sugarcane for sugar	398,800	2	4
Rice	395,063	3	10
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>			
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	25,061,453	17	50
Layers	1,910,683	33	50
Cattle and calves	788,967	35	50
Pullets for laying flock replacement	652,377	31	50
Roosters	99,110	17	50

### Other State Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	10,195	Farming	12,136
\$1,000 to \$2,499	2,555	Other	15,957
\$2,500 to \$4,999	2,934		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3,140	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	2,534	Male	24,636
\$20,000 to \$24,999	728	Female	3,457
\$25,000 to \$39,999	1,156		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	476	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,087		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	828	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	581	American Indian or Alaska Native	357
\$500,000 or more	1,879	Asian	115
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	2,820,092	Black or African American	3,038
Average per farm (\$)	100,384	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	26
		White	37,219
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,260,779	More than one race	220
Average per farm (\$)	44,879	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	849

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.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of states in U.S. with item. <sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.