

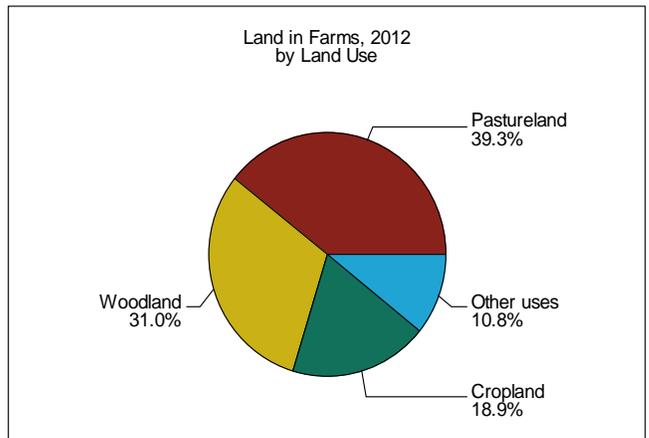
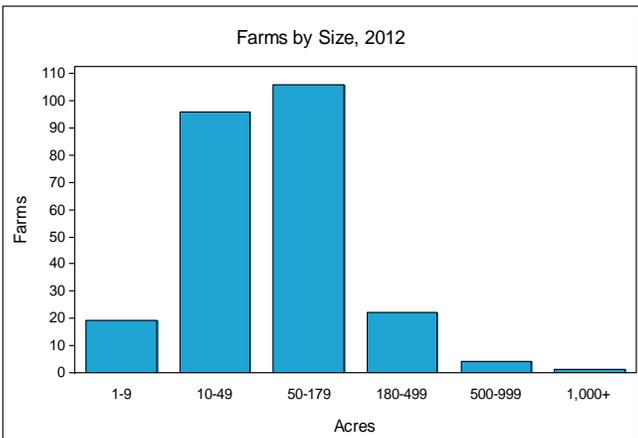
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Hancock County Mississippi

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	248	286	- 13
Land in Farms	25,272 acres	42,256 acres	- 40
Average Size of Farm	102 acres	148 acres	- 31
Market Value of Products Sold	\$2,725,000	\$2,972,000	- 8
Crop Sales (D)			
Livestock Sales (D)			
Average Per Farm	\$10,988	\$10,391	+ 6
Government Payments	\$175,000	\$343,000	- 49
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,014	\$6,992	- 28





Hancock County – Mississippi

Ranked items among the 82 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	2,725	82	82	2,945	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	(D)	(D)	82	(D)	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	(D)	75	82	(D)	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	81	-	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	56	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	166	40	79	1,605	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	75	45	81	1,575	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	69	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	40	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	164	80	82	2,823	3,049
Poultry and eggs	60	45	75	1,562	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,347	64	81	2,523	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	26	40	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	4	32	59	2,421	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	55	15	74	1,854	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	40	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	58	14	70	1,339	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,301	71	82	2,657	3,057
Sod harvested	127	9	21	380	690
Vegetables harvested, all	66	37	79	1,471	2,801
Watermelons	41	10	73	273	1,945
Pecans, all	34	37	72	612	1,263
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	4,165	67	82	2,485	3,063
Layers	2,581	33	79	1,123	3,040
Horses and ponies	507	49	82	2,028	3,072
Sheep and lambs	461	7	66	1,501	2,897
Goats, all	457	19	76	1,339	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	98	Farming	105
\$1,000 to \$2,499	17	Other	143
\$2,500 to \$4,999	29	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	36	Male	214
\$10,000 to \$19,999	31	Female	34
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	13	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	10	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	4	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	White	373
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	4,651	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	18,754	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	5
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-1,580		
Average per farm (\$)	-6,371		

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.