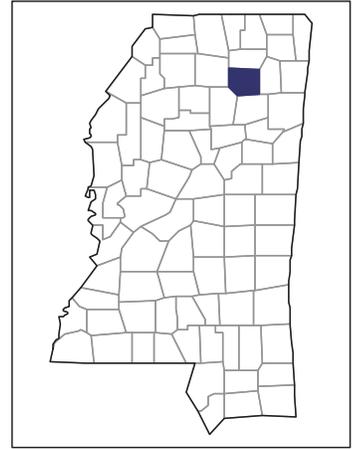


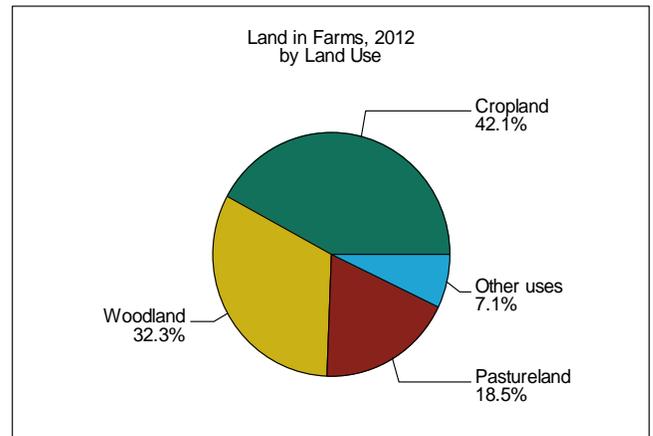
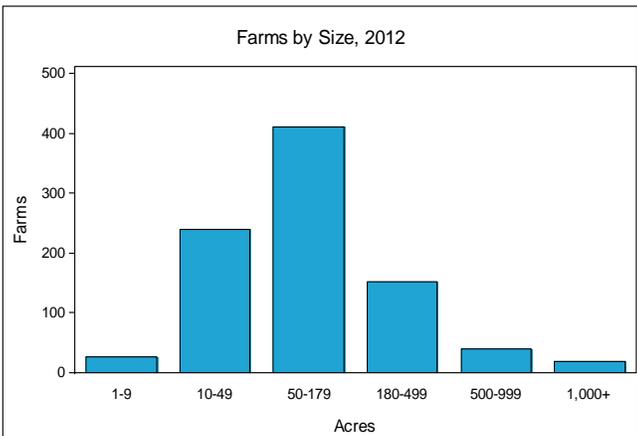
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Pontotoc County Mississippi

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	889	919	- 3
Land in Farms	152,600 acres	145,796 acres	+ 5
Average Size of Farm	172 acres	159 acres	+ 8
Market Value of Products Sold	\$24,667,000	\$17,569,000	+ 40
Crop Sales \$18,936,000 (77 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$5,731,000 (23 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$27,747	\$19,117	+ 45
Government Payments	\$2,249,000	\$2,506,000	- 10
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$3,939	\$4,435	- 11





Pontotoc 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	24,667	53	82	2,254	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	18,936	29	82	1,734	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,731	52	82	2,417	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	14,451	28	81	1,361	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,283	9	79	753	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	93	41	81	1,458	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	42	69	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	1	40	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,674	25	82	1,495	3,049
Poultry and eggs	29	51	75	1,863	3,013
Cattle and calves	4,500	27	81	1,891	3,056
Milk from cows	870	14	40	1,314	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	54	59	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	88	4	74	1,456	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	232	10	78	1,117	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	40	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	37	70	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	23,703	20	72	868	2,162
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,038	15	82	1,389	3,057
Corn for grain	4,286	29	79	1,467	2,638
Cotton, all	(D)	40	56	(D)	635
Upland cotton	(D)	40	56	(D)	635
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	13,043	27	82	1,725	3,063
Layers	1,550	35	79	1,509	3,040
Horses and ponies	1,494	5	82	726	3,072
Sheep and lambs	606	4	66	1,274	2,897
Goats, all	302	37	76	1,807	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	450	Farming	235
\$1,000 to \$2,499	64	Other	654
\$2,500 to \$4,999	77		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	77	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	81	Male	726
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10	Female	163
\$25,000 to \$39,999	38		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	18	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	28		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	26	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	10	American Indian or Alaska Native	6
\$500,000 or more	10	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	23,746	Black or African American	35
Average per farm (\$)	26,711	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	1,218
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,716	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	5,305	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	13

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.