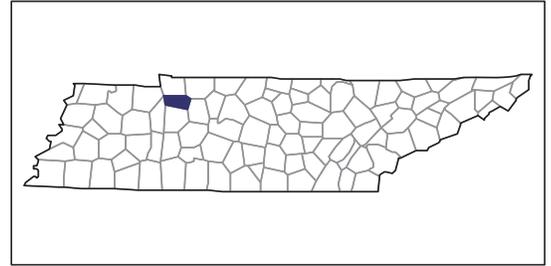


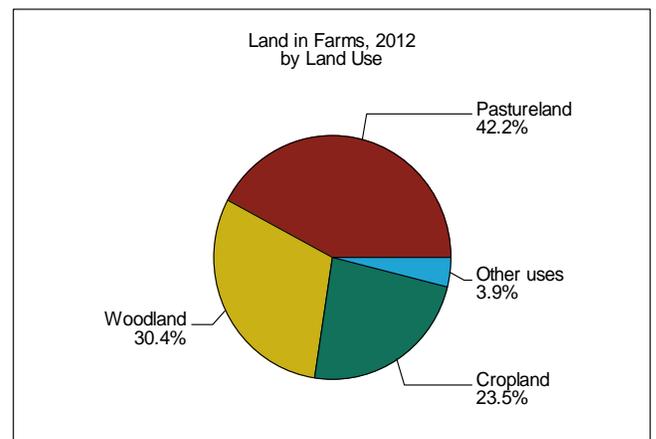
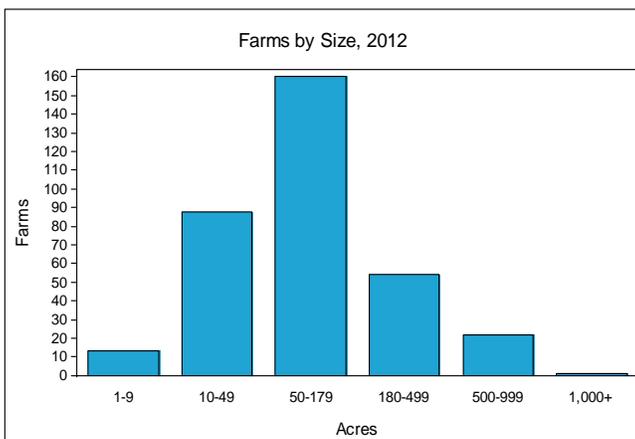
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Houston County Tennessee

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	338	382	- 12
Land in Farms	50,320 acres	47,190 acres	+ 7
Average Size of Farm	149 acres	124 acres	+ 20
Market Value of Products Sold	\$8,964,000	\$4,415,000	+ 103
Crop Sales \$441,000 (5 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$8,524,000 (95 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$26,522	\$11,557	+ 129
Government Payments	\$94,000	\$24,000	+ 292
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$2,247	\$547	+ 311





Houston County – Tennessee

Ranked items among the 95 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	8,964	77	95	2,719	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	441	93	95	2,980	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	8,524	50	95	2,203	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	86	89	95	2,669	2,926
Tobacco	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	25	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	20	76	94	2,457	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2	85	91	2,642	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	80	93	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	44	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	192	78	95	2,781	3,049
Poultry and eggs	16	71	94	2,171	3,013
Cattle and calves	8,436	38	95	1,434	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	71	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	14	50	88	1,982	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	35	68	94	2,144	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	10	92	94	2,825	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	38	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	12	63	95	2,115	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,773	71	95	1,642	3,057
Corn for grain	177	89	95	2,276	2,638
Vegetables harvested, all	23	64	94	1,987	2,801
Soybeans for beans	(D)	86	87	(D)	2,162
Tobacco	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	437
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	12,627	55	95	1,754	3,063
Layers	891	71	94	1,961	3,040
Goats, all	384	72	94	1,538	2,996
Horses and ponies	212	92	95	2,742	3,072
Peacocks or peahens	(D)	1	76	(D)	1,697

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	114	Farming	162
\$1,000 to \$2,499	45	Other	176
\$2,500 to \$4,999	36	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	54	Male	309
\$10,000 to \$19,999	37	Female	29
\$20,000 to \$24,999	2	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	18	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	3	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	12	Black or African American	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	12	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	1	White	462
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	8,456	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	25,017	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	980		
Average per farm (\$)	2,900		

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.