

# 2002 Census of Agriculture Congressional District Profile

## District 3, Louisiana

**Number of farms:** 1,917

**Land in farms:** 687,309 acres

**Average size of farm:** 359 acres

**Irrigated Land:** 9,399 acres

**Total Number of Farm Operators:** 2,787

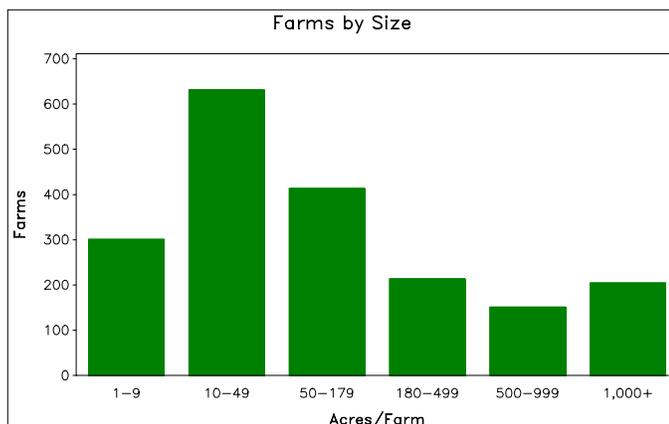
**Market Value of Production:** \$255,549,000

**Market Value of Production, average per farm:** \$133,306

**Government Payments:** (D)

**Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments:** (D)

**Gross Income from Farm Related Sources:** \$5,045,000



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**Ranked items among the 7 congressional districts in the state, and among the 435 congressional districts in the U.S., 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	255,549	3	7	179	418
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)<sup>2</sup></b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	6	(D)	371
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	106
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	4	-	111
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,233	5	7	303	398
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2,047	2	7	193	403
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	8,767	5	7	322	415
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	7	(D)	349
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	6	(D)	382
Cattle and calves	8,753	6	7	237	389
Milk and other dairy products from cows	126	6	6	320	339
Hogs and pigs	61	5	7	291	372
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	7	(D)	380
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	520	6	7	284	398
Aquaculture	9,507	2	7	23	321
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	49,728	6	7	223	394
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	4	6	(D)	354
Colonies of bees	(D)	3	7	(D)	387
Horses and ponies	(D)	6	7	250	408
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,617	6	7	304	387
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Sugarcane for sugar	270,404	1	4	1	12
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	18,888	6	7	249	391
Sugarcane for seed	(D)	1	4	(D)	10
Soybeans	(D)	5	6	166	269
Rice	7,997	4	5	17	38

**Other Congressional District Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	423
\$1,000 to \$2,499	270
\$2,500 to \$4,999	207
\$5,000 to \$9,999	220
\$10,000 to \$19,999	188
\$20,000 to \$24,999	51
\$25,000 to \$39,999	77
\$40,000 to \$49,999	32
\$50,000 to \$99,999	74
\$100,000 to \$249,999	94
\$250,000 to \$499,999	105
\$500,000 or more	176
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	174,661
Average per farm (\$)	176,425
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	70,789
Average per farm (\$)	36,470

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	1,106
Other	811
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,810
Female	107
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.7
All operators <sup>3</sup> by race:	
White	2,590
Black or African American	133
American Indian or Alaska Native	6
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	1
More than one race	6
All operators <sup>3</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	70

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of congressional districts in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

<sup>3</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.