

# 2002 Census of Agriculture Congressional District Profile

## District 6, Louisiana

**Number of farms:** 2,826

**Land in farms:** 651,500 acres

**Average size of farm:** 231 acres

**Irrigated Land:** 8,281 acres

**Total Number of Farm Operators:** 3,938

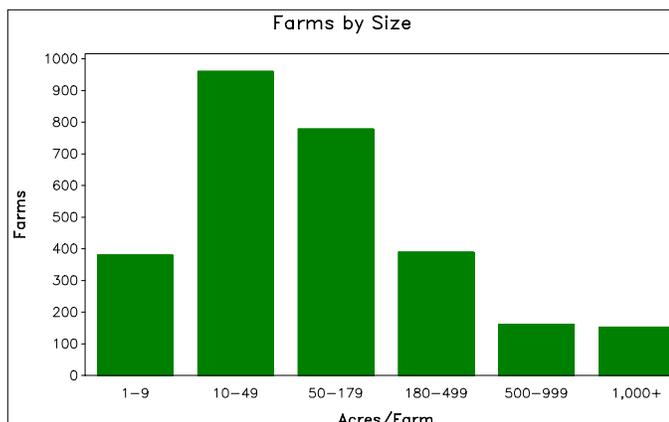
**Market Value of Production:** \$171,815,000

**Market Value of Production, average per farm:** \$60,798

**Government Payments:** \$5,427,000

**Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments:** \$9,198

**Gross Income from Farm Related Sources:** (D)



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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	171,815	5	7	211	418
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) <sup>2</sup></b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	18,850	4	6	141	371
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	106
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	4	(D)	111
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	7	(D)	398
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	709	5	7	282	403
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	9,162	4	7	316	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	21,878	4	7	178	389
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	6	(D)	339
Hogs and pigs	396	3	7	209	372
Sheep, goats, and their products	34	5	7	303	380
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,518	5	7	173	398
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	7	(D)	321
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	1	7	(D)	387
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	226,747	3	6	111	354
Cattle and calves	107,794	4	7	164	394
Horses and ponies	5,959	4	7	188	408
Quail	(D)	3	6	(D)	313
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Sugarcane for sugar	78,292	3	4	5	12
Soybeans	69,436	3	6	91	269
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	50,854	5	7	190	391
All Wheat for grain	21,159	2	6	113	323
Corn for grain	11,688	4	6	184	327

**Other Congressional District Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	779
\$1,000 to \$2,499	460
\$2,500 to \$4,999	380
\$5,000 to \$9,999	376
\$10,000 to \$19,999	267
\$20,000 to \$24,999	51
\$25,000 to \$39,999	111
\$40,000 to \$49,999	44
\$50,000 to \$99,999	122
\$100,000 to \$249,999	102
\$250,000 to \$499,999	68
\$500,000 or more	66
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	97,038
Average per farm (\$)	117,195
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	51,874
Average per farm (\$)	18,599

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	1,259
Other	1,567
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	2,531
Female	295
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.7
All operators <sup>3</sup> by race:	
White	3,543
Black or African American	317
American Indian or Alaska Native	10
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	1
More than one race	9
All operators <sup>3</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	38

(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.