

# 2002 Census of Agriculture Congressional District Profile

## District 7, Louisiana

**Number of farms:** 6,199

**Land in farms:** 1,995,170 acres

**Average size of farm:** 322 acres

**Irrigated Land:** 395,180 acres

**Total Number of Farm Operators:** 8,488

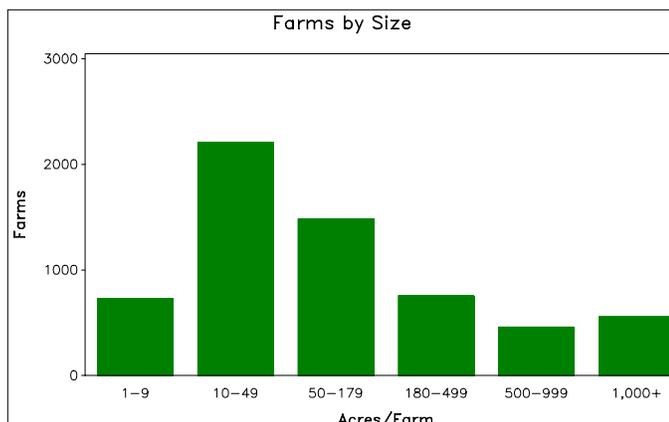
**Market Value of Production:** \$229,837,000

**Market Value of Production, average per farm:** \$37,076

**Government Payments:** \$43,633,000

**Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments:** \$26,096

**Gross Income from Farm Related Sources:** \$11,008,000



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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	229,837	4	7	188	418
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) <sup>2</sup></b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	109,832	2	6	66	371
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	106
Cotton and cottonseed	685	4	4	82	111
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	4,489	2	7	201	398
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	187	6	7	331	403
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	12,103	3	7	283	415
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	440	3	7	115	349
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	6	(D)	382
Cattle and calves	31,369	3	7	151	389
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	6	(D)	339
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	7	(D)	372
Sheep, goats, and their products	72	3	7	272	380
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,958	2	7	145	398
Aquaculture	4,484	3	7	41	321
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	183,279	3	7	115	394
Quail	22,281	1	6	42	313
Horses and ponies	10,615	2	7	117	408
Colonies of bees	(D)	2	7	(D)	387
Layers 20 weeks old and older	4,732	5	7	269	387
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Rice	384,524	1	5	3	38
Soybeans	147,708	2	6	72	269
Sugarcane for sugar	80,297	2	4	4	12
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	53,737	3	7	181	391
Corn for grain	15,932	3	6	170	327

**Other Congressional District Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	1,830
\$1,000 to \$2,499	993
\$2,500 to \$4,999	763
\$5,000 to \$9,999	716
\$10,000 to \$19,999	542
\$20,000 to \$24,999	146
\$25,000 to \$39,999	214
\$40,000 to \$49,999	118
\$50,000 to \$99,999	321
\$100,000 to \$249,999	369
\$250,000 to \$499,999	113
\$500,000 or more	74
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	159,692
Average per farm (\$)	133,858
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	20,917
Average per farm (\$)	3,403

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	3,475
Other	2,724
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	5,752
Female	447
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.4
All operators <sup>3</sup> by race:	
White	7,882
Black or African American	429
American Indian or Alaska Native	13
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	4
More than one race	6
All operators <sup>3</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	132

(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.