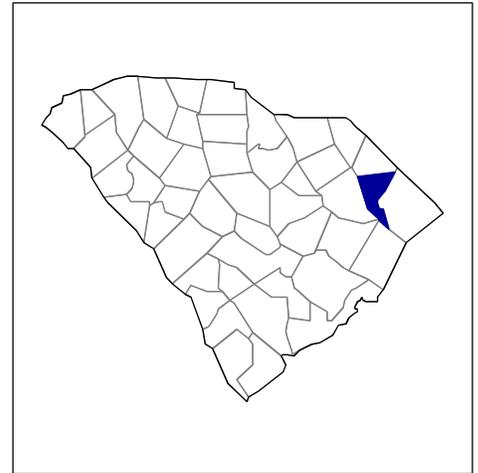


# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Marion, South Carolina



### Number of farms

213 farms in 2002, 240 farms in 1997, down 11 percent.

### Land in farms

93,262 acres in 2002, 83,190 acres in 1997, up 12 percent.

### Average size of farm

438 acres in 2002, 347 acres in 1997, up 26 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$24,157,000 in 2002, \$33,193,000 in 1997, down 27 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$16,352,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$7,804,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

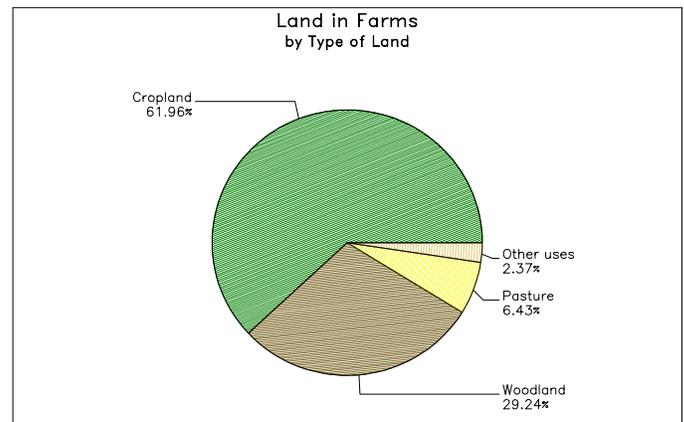
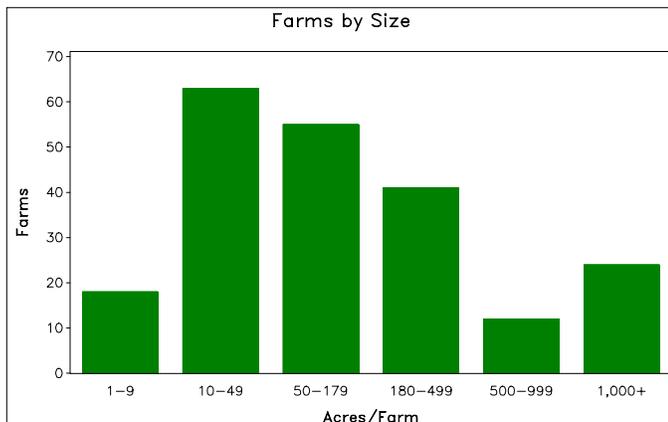
\$113,412 in 2002, \$138,304 in 1997, down 18 percent.

### Government Payments

\$438,000 in 2002, \$650,000 in 1997, down 33 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,032 in 2002, \$5,963 in 1997, down 16 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 46 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 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	24,157	23	46	1,911	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	16,352	13	46	1,319	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	7,804	26	46	2,066	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,034	13	46	1,557	2,871
Tobacco	13,136	3	19	28	560
Cotton and cottonseed	715	12	33	385	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	176	31	46	1,422	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	51	38	45	1,579	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	118	40	45	2,027	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	38	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	123	36	46	2,716	3,046
Poultry and eggs	5,551	23	45	597	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,128	26	46	2,496	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	34	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1,107	12	46	854	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	26	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	36	-	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	366,400	20	42	422	2,599
Turkeys	(D)	17	38	(D)	2,328
Hogs and pigs	5,935	11	46	862	2,926
Cattle and calves	5,243	27	46	2,493	3,059
All Goats	540	26	46	946	2,971
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Soybeans	18,304	10	42	871	2,076
Corn for grain	5,028	16	44	1,270	2,592
All Cotton	4,934	13	33	332	663
All Wheat for grain	4,512	11	45	965	2,517
Tobacco	3,868	3	19	24	563

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	78	Farming	127
\$1,000 to \$2,499	26	Other	86
\$2,500 to \$4,999	11	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	26	Male	194
\$10,000 to \$19,999	12	Female	19
\$20,000 to \$24,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	6	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6	White	238
\$50,000 to \$99,999	8	Black or African American	51
\$100,000 to \$249,999	10	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	10	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	16	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	21,738	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	100,637	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,357		
Average per farm (\$)	20,170		

(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 counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.