

LEE COUNTY

2002 Census of Agriculture

"Agriculture Counts"

Farms and Land in Farms	Farms	Acres	Rank
Land in farms	643	126,484	29
Average farm size	643	197	34
Median farm size	643	15	57
Total cropland	363	36,422	30
Harvested cropland	282	25,762	
Irrigated land	202	23,935	
Pastureland	361	83,433	25
Farms by Size of Farm	Farms	Acres	Rank
Less than 10 acres *	243	1,017	9
10-49 acres	241	4,976	
50-99 acres	50	3,248	
100-499 acres	61	18,187	
500-999 acres	18	12,233	
1,000 acres or more **	30	87,123	24
Farms by Value of Sales	Farms	Sales	Rank
Less than \$2,500	290	\$191,000	
\$2,500-\$9,999	126	\$661,000	
\$10,000-\$99,999	154	\$5,155,000	
\$100,000-\$499,000	49	\$10,743,000	
\$500,000 or more	24	\$96,656,000	

Hired Labor	Farms	Number	Rank
Workers hired	118	2,545	
Working 150 days or more	46	913	
Working less than 150 days	101	1,632	

Livestock and Poultry	Farms	Number	Rank
All cattle and calves	246	16,870	31
Beef cows	196	8,933	
Milk cows		--	
Hogs and pigs	22	113	
Sheep and lambs	11	180	
Poultry			
Layers, 20 weeks & older	25	315	
Pullets	15	73	
Broilers	7	155	
Turkeys		--	
Horses & ponies	186	1,027	30
Goats, milk	8	111	
Goats, meat & other	20	321	
Rabbits & pelts	4	16	
Colonies of bees	21	10,292	5

Fruits, Nuts, and Berries	Farms	Acres	Rank
Non-citrus fruits			
Avocados	9	3	
Bananas	8	2	
Grapes	11	17	
Mangoes	30	134	2
Papayas	6	3	
Pears	3	2	
Other non-citrus	18	54	
Citrus fruits	144	16,867	
Grapefruit	43	1,108	
Limes	1	(D)	
Oranges	127	14,392	14
Tangelos	9	71	
Tangerines	22	1,270	
Temples	6	22	
Nuts and berries			
Pecans	1	(D)	
Blueberries, tame			
Strawberries	4	12	

Value of Sales	Farms	Dollars	Rank
Market value of products sold	643	\$113,406,000	18
Value of products sold - per farm	643	\$176,370	17
All Crops	271	\$109,147,000	15
Grains, oilseeds, dry peas		--	
Vegetables, melons, potatoes	18	(D)	
Fruits, nuts, berries	170	\$27,109,000	15
Nursery & greenhouse	92	\$65,475,000	7
All Livestock and Poultry	299	\$4,260,000	48
Poultry & eggs	20	\$17,000	40
Cattle & calves	164	\$1,820,000	39
Milk, other dairy products		--	
Hogs & pigs	7	\$4,000	55
Sheep, goats & products	18	\$13,000	31
Horses & ponies	55	\$247,000	23
Direct sales - human consumption	62	\$250,000	
Organically produced commodities	10	(D)	

Vegetables and Melons	Farms	Acres	Rank
All vegetables harvested	17	3,254	9
Beans, snap			
Broccoli			
Cabbage, Chinese			
Cabbage, Head			
Cantaloups			
Collards	1	(D)	
Cucumbers & pickles	7	1,825	3
Eggplant			
Herbs			
Lettuce, all			
Mustard greens	1	(D)	
Onions, green	5	3	
Peas, green			
Peas, southern (cowpeas)			
Peppers, bell			
Radishes			
Squash	8	925	
Sweet corn			
Tomatoes	2	(D)	
Watermelons	3	325	

Field Crops	Farms	Acres	Rank
Grains & grain silage			
Corn for grain			
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Oats for grain			
Rye for grain			
Sorghum for grain			
Sorghum for silage			
Wheat for grain			
Other field crops			
Cotton			
Peanuts for nuts			
Potatoes	1	(D)	5
Soybeans for beans			
Sugarcane for sugar			
Tobacco			
Hay, forage & field & grass seeds			
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Alfalfa hay	3	18	
Small grain hay			
Other tame hay	11	1,214	
Wild hay			
Haylage, all			

Nursery and Greenhouse Crops						
Indoor (under glass)	Farms (1)	Square feet	Rank	Outdoor (in the open)	Acres	Rank
All nursery, greenhouse crops	92	(D)		All nursery, greenhouse crops	2,332	
Bedding/Garden plants	7	(D)		Bedding/Garden plants	(D)	
Cut flowers & florist greens	3	--		Cut flowers & florist greens	(D)	
Foliage plants	8	27,600		Foliage plants	(D)	
Potted flowering plants	14	(D)		Potted flowering plants	8	
Aquatic plants	3	--		Aquatic plants	(D)	
Greenhouse vegetables				Greenhouse vegetables		
Sod		(X)		Sod		
Nursery stock	79	606,334		Nursery stock	(D)	6

* Rank is the percentage of farms in the county less than 10 acres
 ** Rank is the percentage of farms in the county 1,000 acres or more
 (D) = withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.
 (X) = not applicable for this item
 (1) "Farms" represent those having either indoor or outdoor crops

Other Highlights:	Farms	Value	Rank
Aquaculture sales	30	\$1,493,000	8
Llamas, number	9	94	

