

OKEECHOBEE COUNTY

2002 Census of Agriculture

"Agriculture Counts"

Farms and Land in Farms	Farms	Acres	Rank
Land in farms	638	392,495	7
Average farm size	638	615	7
Median farm size	638	100	9
Total cropland	263	115,292	10
Harvested cropland	140	38,984	
Irrigated land	91	22,085	
Pastureland	552	334,478	4
Farms by Size of Farm	Farms	Acres	Rank
Less than 10 acres *	99	516	41
10-49 acres	196	4,648	
50-99 acres	55	3,868	
100-499 acres	145	34,068	
500-999 acres	39	25,868	
1,000 acres or more **	104	323,527	2
Farms by Value of Sales	Farms	Sales	Rank
Less than \$2,500	249	\$167,000	
\$2,500-\$9,999	142	\$692,000	
\$10,000-\$99,999	163	\$6,648,000	
\$100,000-\$499,000	47	\$10,167,000	
\$500,000 or more	37	\$126,701,000	

Hired Labor	Farms	Number	Rank
Workers hired	158	1,657	
Working 150 days or more	96	486	
Working less than 150 days	132	1,171	

Livestock and Poultry	Farms	Number	Rank
All cattle and calves	538	142,656	1
Beef cows	459	65,501	
Milk cows	42	31,550	
Hogs and pigs	12	82	
Sheep and lambs	12	1,737	1
Poultry			
Layers, 20 weeks & older	9	171	
Pullets	2	(D)	
Broilers	3	45	
Turkeys	4	22	
Horses & ponies	218	1,320	20
Goats, milk	3	100	
Goats, meat & other	16	(D)	
Rabbits & pelts	2	(D)	
Colonies of bees	11	323	43

Fruits, Nuts, and Berries	Farms	Acres	Rank
Non-citrus fruits			
Apples			
Grapes			
Peaches			
Pears			
Persimmons	3	2	
Plums & prunes			
Other non-citrus			
Citrus fruits	53	13,300	
Grapefruit	8	2,087	8
Limes			
Oranges	51	10,931	15
Tangelos	3	(D)	
Tangerines	8	(D)	
Other citrus			
Nuts and berries			
Pecans			
Blueberries, tame	1	(D)	
Strawberries			

Value of Sales	Farms	Dollars	Rank
Market value of products sold	638	\$144,376,000	13
Value of products sold - per farm	638	\$226,295	16
All Crops	104	\$36,677,000	26
Grains, oilseeds, dry peas	1	(D)	
Vegetables, melons, potatoes	11	\$13,073,000	12
Fruits, nuts, berries	51	\$19,626,000	17
Nursery & greenhouse	32	\$3,848,000	42
All Livestock and Poultry	471	\$107,699,000	1
Poultry & eggs	6	\$1,000	61
Cattle & calves	438	\$27,758,000	1
Milk, other dairy products	30	\$79,389,000	1
Hogs & pigs	2	(D)	
Sheep, goats & products	22	(D)	
Horses & ponies	38	\$142,000	35
Direct sales - human consumption	27	\$166,000	
Organically produced commodities	7	\$13,000	

Vegetables and Melons	Farms	Acres	Rank
All vegetables harvested	9	(D)	11
Beans, snap	7	380	
Broccoli			
Cabbage, Chinese			
Cabbage, Head	2	(D)	
Cantaloups			
Collards			
Cucumbers & pickles	1	(D)	
Eggplant	4	36	
Herbs			
Lettuce, all			
Mustard greens			
Okra			
Peas, green			
Peas, southern (cowpeas)			
Peppers, bell			
Peppers, chili			
Squash			
Sweet corn	1	(D)	
Tomatoes			
Watermelons	3	470	

Field Crops	Farms	Acres	Rank
Grains & grain silage			
Corn for grain			
Corn for silage	1	(D)	
Oats for grain			
Rye for grain	1	(D)	
Sorghum for grain	1	(D)	
Sorghum for silage	1	(D)	
Wheat for grain			
Other field crops			
Cotton			
Peanuts for nuts			
Potatoes	4	1,271	
Soybeans for beans			
Sugarcane for sugar			
Tobacco			
Hay, forage & field & grass seeds			
Field & grass seeds			
All hay	47	8,216	
Small grain hay			
Other tame hay	45	(D)	
Wild hay	2	(D)	
Haylage, all	9	11,357	1

Nursery and Greenhouse Crops						
Indoor (under glass)	Farms (1)	Square feet	Rank	Outdoor (in the open)	Acres	Rank
All nursery, greenhouse crops	32	51,676		All nursery, greenhouse crops	2,125	
Bedding/Garden plants				Bedding/Garden plants		
Cut flowers & florist greens				Cut flowers & florist greens		
Foliage plants	7	(D)		Foliage plants	4	
Potted flowering plants	3	--		Potted flowering plants	(Z)	
Aquatic plants				Aquatic plants		
Greenhouse vegetables				Greenhouse vegetables		
Sod	17	(X)		Sod	2,015	12
Nursery stock	11	(D)		Nursery stock	105	

* 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
 (Z) = less than 1/2 acre
 (1) "Farms" represent those having either indoor or outdoor crops

Other Highlights:	Farms	Value	Rank
All goats, number	19	(D)	1
Forage (hay, silage, etc.) acres	51	19,173	3

