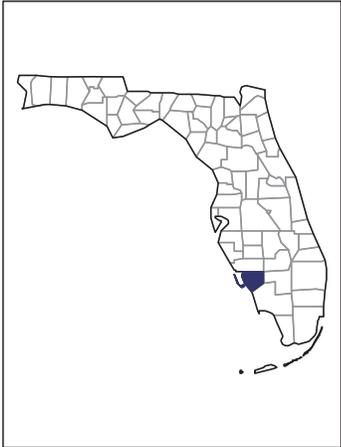


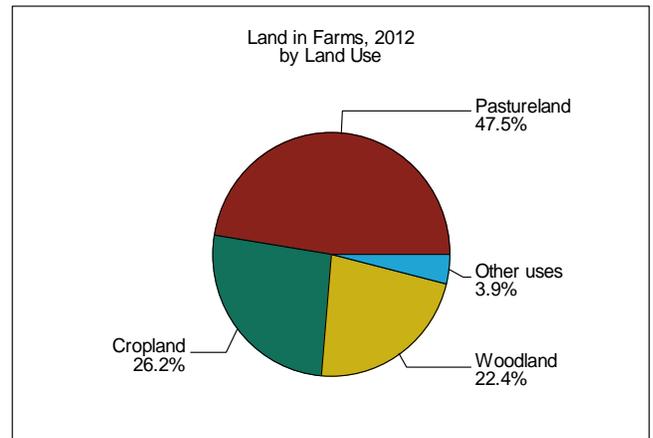
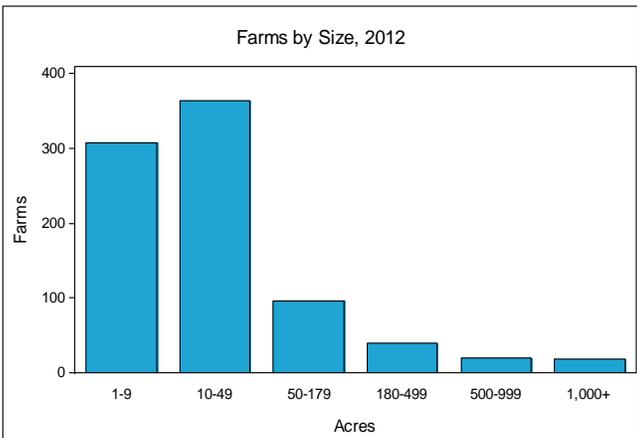
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Lee County Florida

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	844	944	- 11
<b>Land in Farms</b>	87,125 acres	85,742 acres	+ 2
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	103 acres	91 acres	+ 13
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$105,903,000	\$116,060,000	- 9
Crop Sales \$101,469,000 (96 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$4,434,000 (4 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$125,478	\$122,945	+ 2
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$61,000	\$142,000	- 57
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$4,392	\$12,936	- 66





## Lee County – Florida

### Ranked items among the 67 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	105,903	23	67	1,114	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	101,469	16	67	640	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	4,434	46	67	2,509	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	53	-	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	5	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	17	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	27,867	10	64	97	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	30,238	14	65	78	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	43,194	8	64	69	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	34	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	49	66	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	74	32	66	1,489	3,013
Cattle and calves	2,032	41	67	2,316	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	33	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	38	14	64	1,549	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	86	17	64	1,480	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	262	26	66	1,017	3,011
Aquaculture	1,256	13	55	194	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	686	17	67	343	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Oranges, all	8,492	14	56	17	174
Valencia oranges	5,009	12	49	15	126
Vegetables harvested, all	4,952	10	64	166	2,801
Other oranges	3,482	16	53	20	162
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,045	35	67	2,516	3,057
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	10,243	36	67	1,908	3,063
Colonies of bees	3,608	17	67	201	2,761
Layers	2,559	28	66	1,133	3,040
Goats, all	1,613	9	65	283	2,996
Horses and ponies	1,293	25	67	870	3,072

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	258	Farming	406
\$1,000 to \$2,499	120	Other	438
\$2,500 to \$4,999	109	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	80	Male	661
\$10,000 to \$19,999	88	Female	183
\$20,000 to \$24,999	21	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	38	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	22	American Indian or Alaska Native	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	46	Asian	52
\$100,000 to \$249,999	29	Black or African American	11
\$250,000 to \$499,999	10	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	4
\$500,000 or more	23	White	1,219
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	78,911	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	93,496	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	87
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	28,214		
Average per farm (\$)	33,429		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

<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.