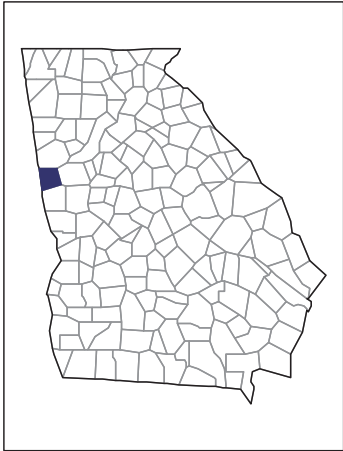


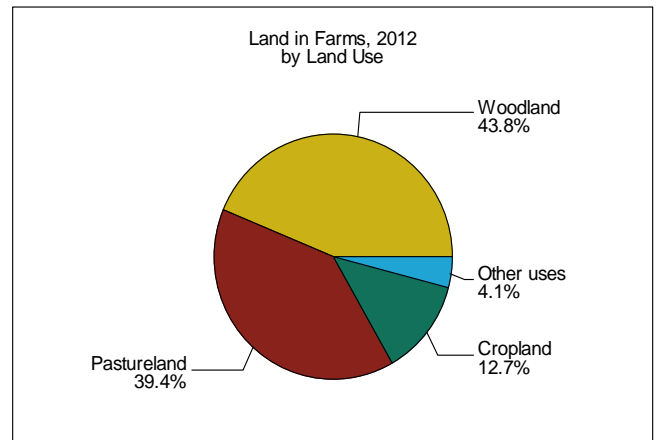
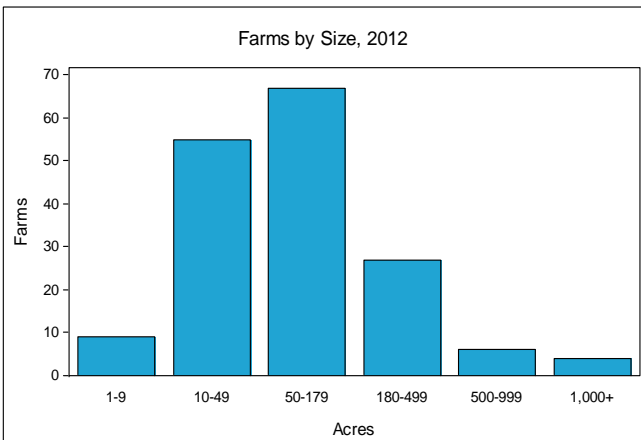
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Heard County Georgia

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	168	187	- 10
Land in Farms	27,067 acres	23,599 acres	+ 15
Average Size of Farm	161 acres	126 acres	+ 28
Market Value of Products Sold	\$36,143,000	\$28,331,000	+ 28
Crop Sales \$856,000 (2 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$35,286,000 (98 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$215,135	\$151,501	+ 42
Government Payments	\$70,000	\$50,000	+ 40
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,405	\$2,476	+ 159





Heard County – Georgia

Ranked items among the 159 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	36,143	78	159	2,008	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	856	136	159	2,903	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	35,286	46	159	1,163	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	151	(D)	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	29	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	84	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	12	142	152	2,562	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	156	156	2,714	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	144	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	65	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	157	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	32,997	42	153	327	3,013
Cattle and calves	2,023	66	158	2,324	3,056
Milk from cows	183	59	67	1,745	2,038
Hogs and pigs	-	-	124	-	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	25	64	154	2,330	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	49	39	143	2,289	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	43	57	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	135	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,680	84	159	2,586	3,057
Sod harvested	(D)	25	40	(D)	690
Wheat for grain, all	(D)	113	120	(D)	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	(D)	113	120	(D)	2,480
Corn for silage	34	57	73	2,062	2,237
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,988,025	35	132	213	2,723
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	36	116	(D)	2,637
Layers	(D)	49	156	(D)	3,040
Cattle and calves	5,089	72	158	2,383	3,063
Roosters	(D)	39	105	(D)	2,120

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	46	Farming	67
\$1,000 to \$2,499	23	Other	101
\$2,500 to \$4,999	14	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	20	Male	149
\$10,000 to \$19,999	16	Female	19
\$20,000 to \$24,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	9	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	5	Black or African American	8
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	23	White	258
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	34,336	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	204,383	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	2,719		
Average per farm (\$)	16,183		

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.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. ² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.