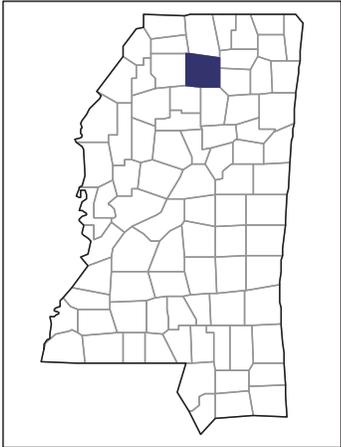


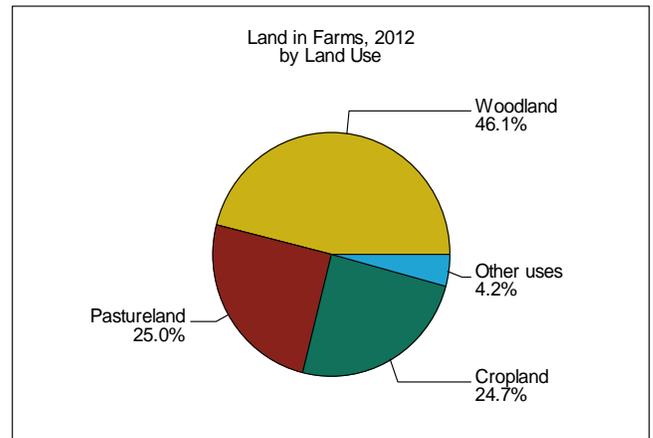
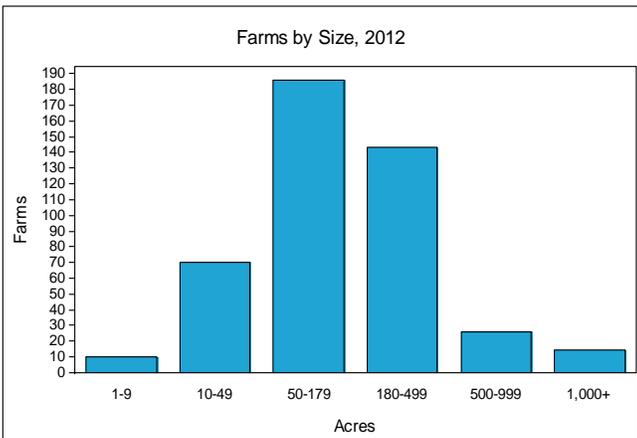
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Lafayette County Mississippi

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	449	487	- 8
<b>Land in Farms</b>	108,842 acres	114,378 acres	- 5
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	242 acres	235 acres	+ 3
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$8,937,000	\$8,110,000	+ 10
Crop Sales \$6,555,000 (73 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$2,382,000 (27 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$19,904	\$16,653	+ 20
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$1,120,000	\$1,390,000	- 19
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$4,956	\$5,767	- 14





## Lafayette County – Mississippi

### Ranked items among the 82 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	8,937	77	82	2,720	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	6,555	52	82	2,303	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	2,382	71	82	2,724	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,398	51	81	2,000	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	2,027	34	56	367	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	524	18	79	1,078	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	47	53	81	1,808	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	296	35	69	1,607	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	6	32	40	1,091	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,256	37	82	1,723	3,049
Poultry and eggs	10	56	75	2,358	3,013
Cattle and calves	2,312	48	81	2,241	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	40	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	-	-	59	-	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	11	50	74	2,648	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	47	53	78	2,308	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	40	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	3	57	70	2,641	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	8,122	38	82	1,828	3,057
Cotton, all	4,944	26	56	324	635
Upland cotton	4,944	26	56	323	635
Soybeans for beans	2,601	51	72	1,451	2,162
Corn for grain	1,336	45	79	1,827	2,638
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	7,453	51	82	2,154	3,063
Horses and ponies	941	20	82	1,270	3,072
Quail	(D)	8	24	(D)	944
Layers	536	53	79	2,334	3,040
Goats, all	219	47	76	2,098	2,996

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	234	Farming	181
\$1,000 to \$2,499	35	Other	268
\$2,500 to \$4,999	33	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	45	Male	363
\$10,000 to \$19,999	40	Female	86
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10	Average age of principal operator (years)	62.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	19	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2	American Indian or Alaska Native	18
\$50,000 to \$99,999	17	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	6	Black or African American	76
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	4	White	569
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	9,962	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	22,188	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,512		
Average per farm (\$)	3,368		

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.