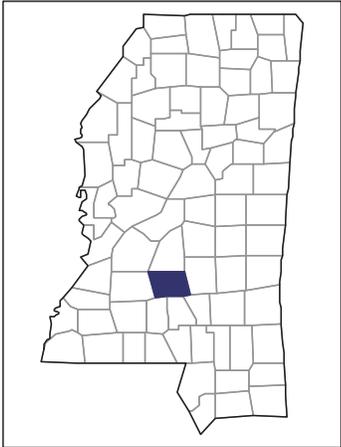


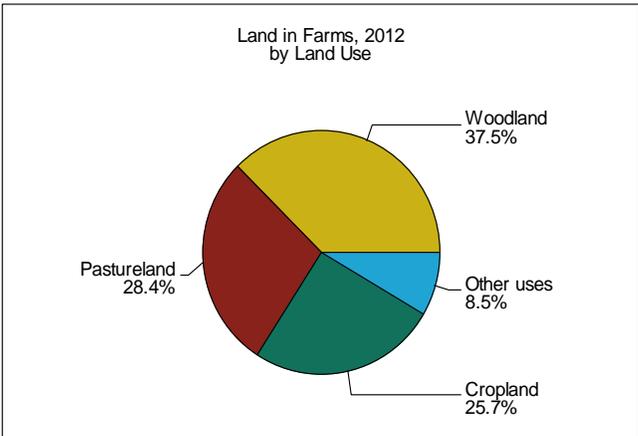
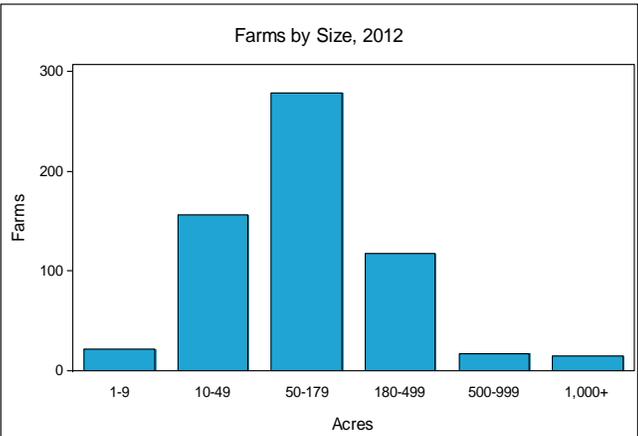
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Simpson County Mississippi

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	606	727	- 17
<b>Land in Farms</b>	109,529 acres	117,617 acres	- 7
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	181 acres	162 acres	+ 12
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$202,445,000	\$185,931,000	+ 9
Crop Sales \$6,871,000 (3 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$195,574,000 (97 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$334,068	\$255,752	+ 31
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$396,000	\$518,000	- 24
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$3,920	\$3,217	+ 22





## Simpson 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	202,445	11	82	529	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	6,871	50	82	2,276	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	195,574	7	82	180	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	3,647	45	81	1,863	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	56	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	70	47	81	1,612	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	17	69	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	35	40	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,574	28	82	1,551	3,049
Poultry and eggs	186,901	6	75	39	3,013
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	81	(D)	3,056
Milk from cows	322	20	40	1,594	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	13	59	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	27	31	74	2,277	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	214	13	78	1,192	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	40	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	13	31	70	2,091	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	10,854	20	82	1,546	3,057
Corn for grain	2,658	36	79	1,631	2,638
Soybeans for beans	1,871	54	72	1,551	2,162
Wheat for grain, all	1,265	37	68	1,555	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	1,265	37	68	1,488	2,480
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	9,328,488	7	68	37	2,723
Layers	475,909	2	79	167	3,040
Pullets for laying flock replacement	212,035	7	62	146	2,637
Roosters	58,164	1	57	32	2,120
Cattle and calves	18,534	16	82	1,419	3,063

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	180	Farming	328
\$1,000 to \$2,499	36	Other	278
\$2,500 to \$4,999	45		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	77	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	68	Male	512
\$20,000 to \$24,999	17	Female	94
\$25,000 to \$39,999	29		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	17	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	7		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	9	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
\$500,000 or more	117	Asian	3
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	156,163	Black or African American	86
Average per farm (\$)	257,694	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	788
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	48,601	More than one race	6
Average per farm (\$)	80,200	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	2

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.