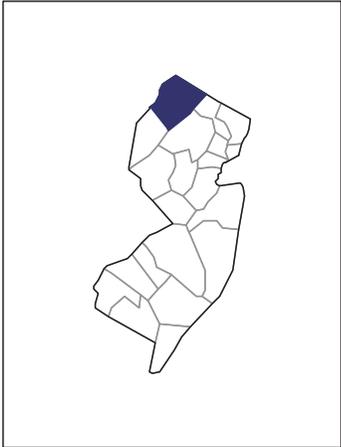


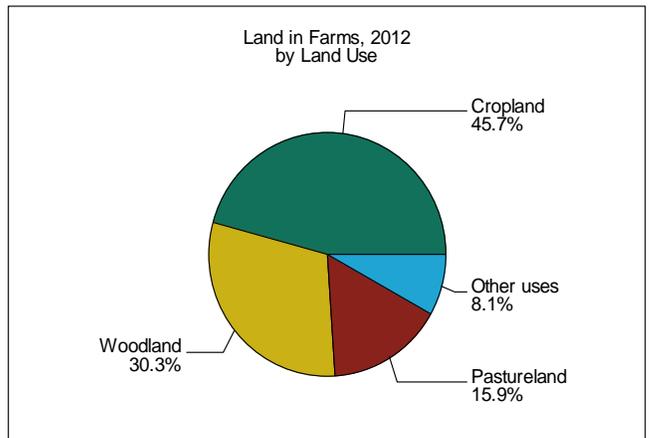
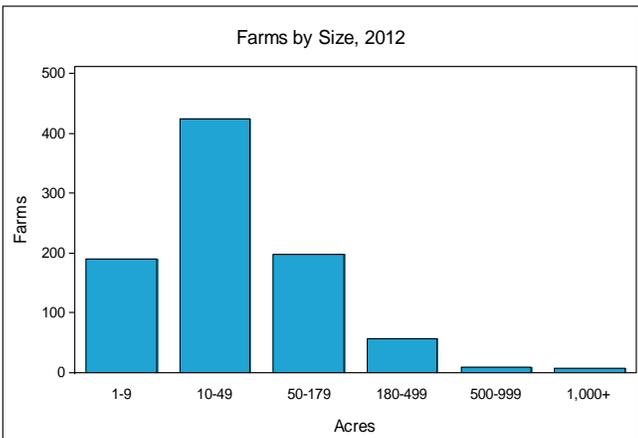
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Sussex County New Jersey

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	885	1,060	- 17
Land in Farms	61,033 acres	65,242 acres	- 6
Average Size of Farm	69 acres	62 acres	+ 11
Market Value of Products Sold	\$18,654,000	\$21,242,000	- 12
Crop Sales \$11,590,000 (62 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$7,064,000 (38 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$21,078	\$20,040	+ 5
Government Payments	\$370,000	\$328,000	+ 13
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,135	\$6,835	- 25





Sussex County – New Jersey

Ranked items among the 20 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	18,654	13	20	2,417	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	11,590	14	20	2,007	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	7,064	5	20	2,312	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,416	11	16	1,996	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,794	13	20	516	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	834	12	20	537	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,523	18	20	677	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	210	3	18	149	1,530
Other crops and hay	2,812	2	18	1,038	3,049
Poultry and eggs	450	7	18	1,102	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,114	4	18	2,579	3,056
Milk from cows	4,371	3	10	756	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	4	17	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	188	5	18	849	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	588	5	19	463	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	9	15	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	208	7	20	748	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	15,189	2	18	1,239	3,057
Corn for grain	3,250	7	16	1,558	2,638
Corn for silage	1,839	2	15	830	2,237
Vegetables harvested, all	590	13	20	639	2,801
Cut Christmas trees	585	2	19	95	1,557
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers	7,661	7	19	729	3,040
Cattle and calves	4,780	3	18	2,416	3,063
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	2,822	2	18	713	2,723
Horses and ponies	2,668	4	20	275	3,072
Pullets for laying flock replacement	1,715	1	18	493	2,637

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	237	Farming	424
\$1,000 to \$2,499	206	Other	461
\$2,500 to \$4,999	138	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	97	Male	695
\$10,000 to \$19,999	65	Female	190
\$20,000 to \$24,999	23	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	35	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	21	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	17	Asian	11
\$100,000 to \$249,999	30	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	8	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	4
\$500,000 or more	8	White	1,431
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	25,433	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	28,738	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	26
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-1,098		
Average per farm (\$)	-1,241		

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.