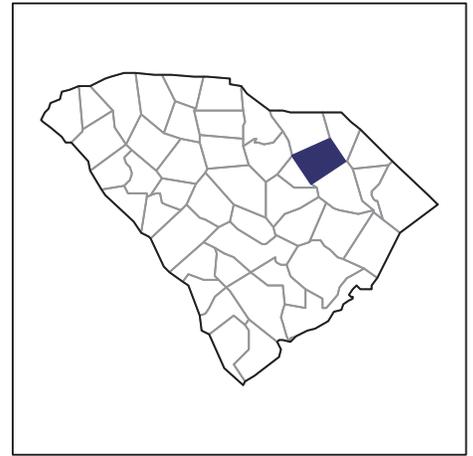


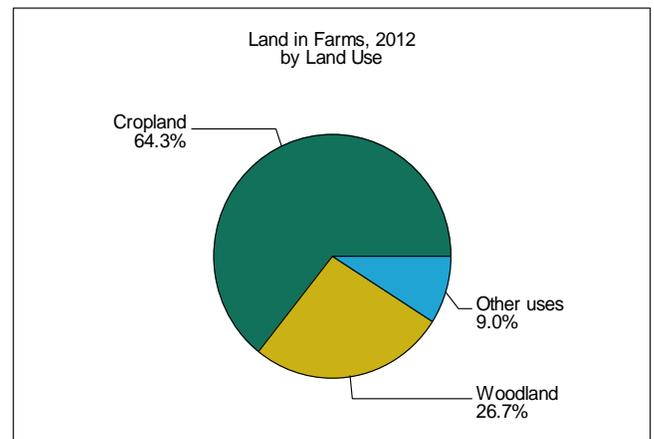
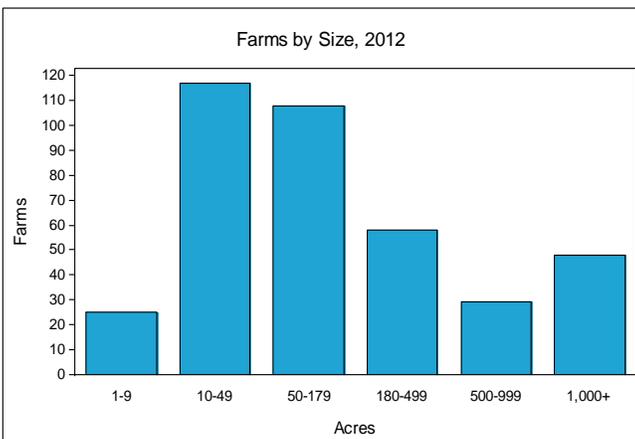
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Darlington County South Carolina

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	385	369	+ 4
Land in Farms	176,848 acres	172,627 acres	+ 2
Average Size of Farm	459 acres	468 acres	- 2
Market Value of Products Sold	\$129,171,000	\$75,091,000	+ 72
Crop Sales \$75,496,000 (58 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$53,675,000 (42 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$335,509	\$203,499	+ 65
Government Payments	\$2,806,000	\$4,481,000	- 37
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$15,415	\$21,441	- 28





Darlington County – South Carolina

Ranked items among the 46 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	129,171	8	46	924	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	75,496	3	46	849	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	53,675	14	46	860	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	41,946	4	46	927	2,926
Tobacco	1,596	8	15	153	436
Cotton and cottonseed	19,778	3	32	88	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	653	28	46	998	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	150	33	45	1,224	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	3,610	13	44	543	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	33	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	7,764	4	46	380	3,049
Poultry and eggs	51,632	12	46	250	3,013
Cattle and calves	994	31	46	2,616	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	11	21	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	18	27	45	1,862	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	61	16	46	1,768	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	19	22	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	45	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	32,585	4	42	757	2,162
Cotton, all	30,205	2	32	84	635
Upland cotton	30,205	2	32	82	635
Corn for grain	24,699	3	46	882	2,638
Wheat for grain, all	16,432	4	44	529	2,537
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	722,611	17	44	346	2,723
Layers	(D)	3	46	(D)	3,040
Turkeys	495,000	6	42	58	2,416
Cattle and calves	3,165	30	46	2,593	3,063
Ducks	(D)	1	40	49	2,480

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	123	Farming	178
\$1,000 to \$2,499	36	Other	207
\$2,500 to \$4,999	28		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	22	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	25	Male	342
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5	Female	43
\$25,000 to \$39,999	19		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	20		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	23	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	26	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$500,000 or more	53	Asian	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	97,941	Black or African American	43
Average per farm (\$)	254,392	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	507
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	37,479	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	97,349	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	4

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.