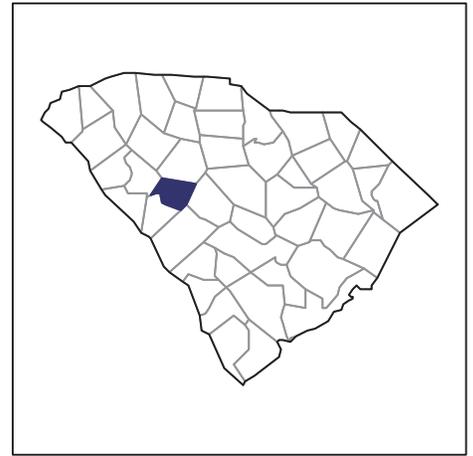


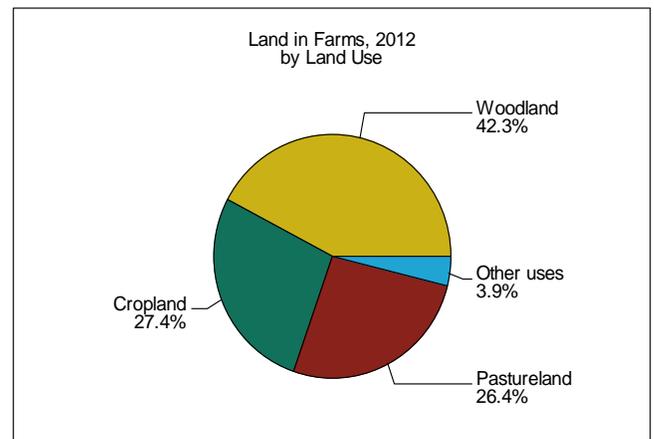
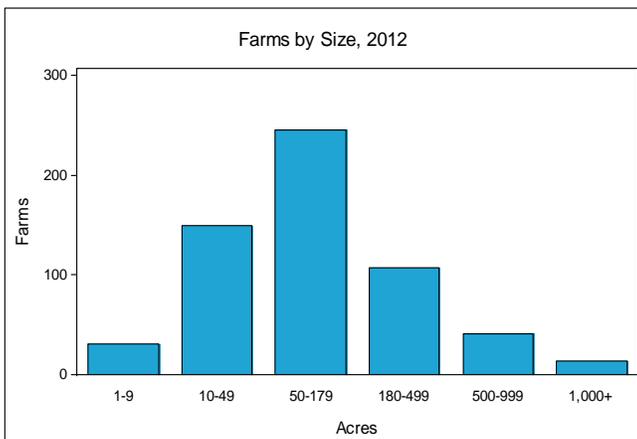
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Saluda County South Carolina

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	587	606	- 3
<b>Land in Farms</b>	107,948 acres	109,791 acres	- 2
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	184 acres	181 acres	+ 2
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$126,281,000	\$86,018,000	+ 47
Crop Sales \$27,527,000 (22 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$98,753,000 (78 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$215,129	\$141,945	+ 52
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$750,000	\$587,000	+ 28
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,002	\$3,837	+ 30





## Saluda County – South Carolina

### Ranked items among the 46 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	126,281	9	46	946	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	27,527	18	46	1,536	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	98,753	7	46	477	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,041	30	46	2,049	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	15	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	27	32	(D)	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	19,504	1	45	109	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	122	42	44	1,957	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	18	33	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	31	46	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	88,417	6	46	140	3,013
Cattle and calves	5,850	3	46	1,699	3,056
Milk from cows	4,134	4	21	769	2,038
Hogs and pigs	21	25	45	1,795	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	37	26	46	2,114	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	238	19	46	1,094	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	22	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	56	15	45	1,376	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,130	7	46	1,383	3,057
Peaches, all	5,255	2	36	5	1,855
Wheat for grain, all	1,761	22	44	1,397	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	1,761	22	44	1,329	2,480
Soybeans for beans	1,444	31	42	1,612	2,162
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	3,832,024	4	44	128	2,723
Layers	125,577	9	46	338	3,040
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	10	40	(D)	2,637
Cattle and calves	19,716	2	46	1,362	3,063
Roosters	(D)	9	36	(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	192	Farming	262
\$1,000 to \$2,499	49	Other	325
\$2,500 to \$4,999	59		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	70	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	83	Male	532
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10	Female	55
\$25,000 to \$39,999	28		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	23		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	14	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$500,000 or more	52	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	93,669	Black or African American	50
Average per farm (\$)	159,573	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	798
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	36,936	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	62,923	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	9

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.