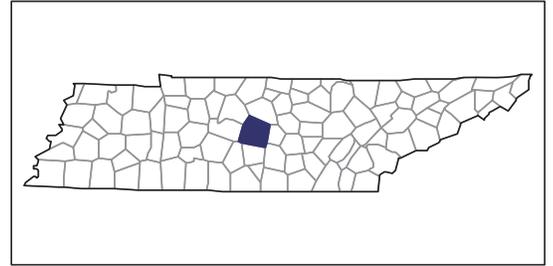


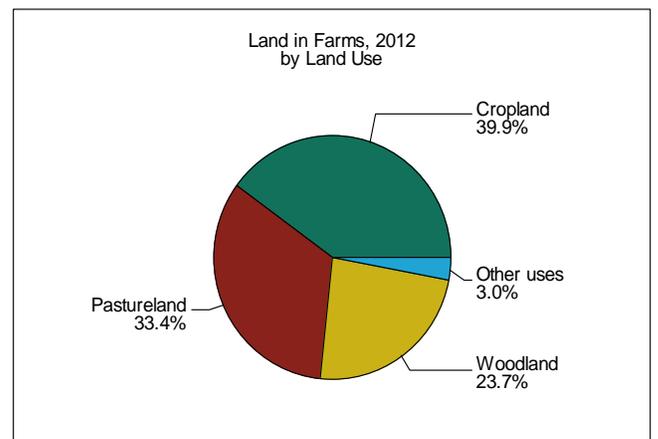
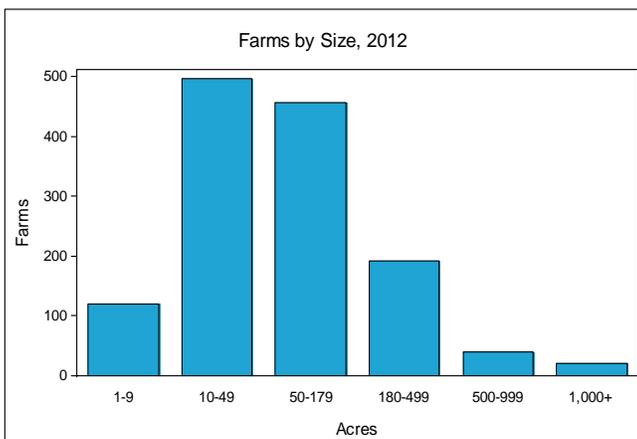
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Rutherford County Tennessee

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,327	1,525	- 13
<b>Land in Farms</b>	176,213 acres	164,411 acres	+ 7
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	133 acres	108 acres	+ 23
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$28,430,000	\$24,460,000	+ 16
Crop Sales \$15,431,000 (54 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$12,999,000 (46 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$21,424	\$16,039	+ 34
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$691,000	\$660,000	+ 5
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$4,428	\$3,885	+ 14





## Rutherford County – Tennessee

### Ranked items among the 95 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	28,430	44	95	2,178	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	15,431	32	95	1,861	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	12,999	38	95	1,934	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	29	95	(D)	2,926
Tobacco	(D)	45	56	(D)	436
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	20	25	(D)	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	268	21	94	1,359	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,596	18	93	665	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	7	44	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,178	3	95	1,789	3,049
Poultry and eggs	714	38	94	1,047	3,013
Cattle and calves	9,954	25	95	1,313	3,056
Milk from cows	1,129	32	71	1,219	2,038
Hogs and pigs	111	21	88	1,228	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	265	7	94	634	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	697	7	94	388	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	38	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	128	11	95	963	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	36,138	9	95	458	3,057
Soybeans for beans	13,656	26	87	1,037	2,162
Corn for grain	8,719	26	95	1,238	2,638
Wheat for grain, all	4,292	21	81	1,052	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	4,292	21	81	975	2,480
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	30,378	21	95	947	3,063
Layers	17,410	22	94	631	3,040
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	18	92	(D)	2,637
Goats, all	3,631	2	94	95	2,996
Horses and ponies	2,723	5	95	257	3,072

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	384	Farming	555
\$1,000 to \$2,499	209	Other	772
\$2,500 to \$4,999	202	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	181	Male	1,097
\$10,000 to \$19,999	158	Female	230
\$20,000 to \$24,999	26	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	64	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	17	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	45	Asian	9
\$100,000 to \$249,999	22	Black or African American	59
\$250,000 to \$499,999	11	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	8	White	1,909
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	32,316	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	24,352	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	21
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	64		
Average per farm (\$)	48		

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.