

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Lake, Florida

### Number of farms

1,798 farms in 2002, 1,814 farms in 1997, down 1 percent.

### Land in farms

180,245 acres in 2002, 192,831 acres in 1997, down 7 percent.

### Average size of farm

100 acres in 2002, 106 acres in 1997, down 6 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$178,076,000 in 2002, \$171,057,000 in 1997, up 4 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$166,274,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$11,801,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

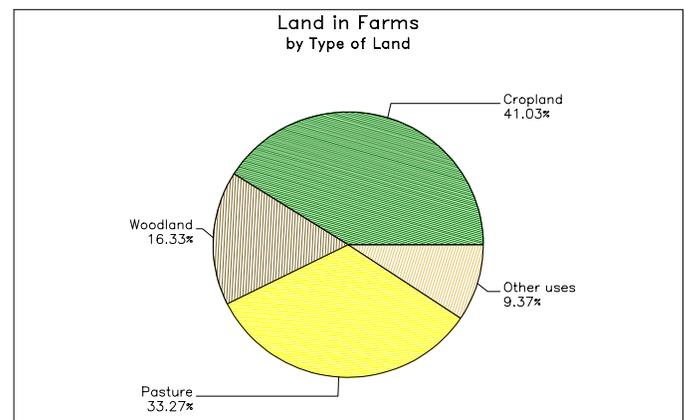
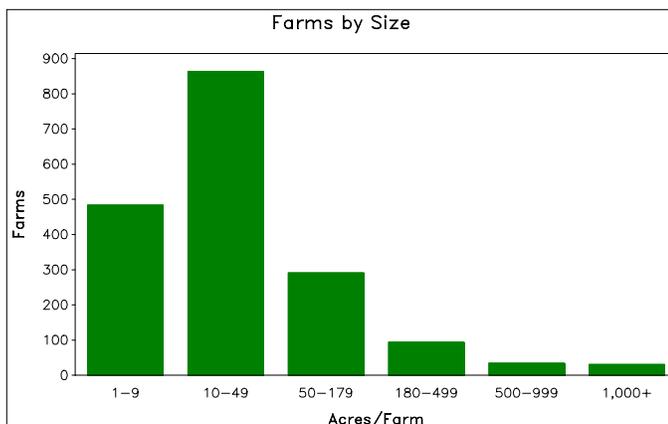
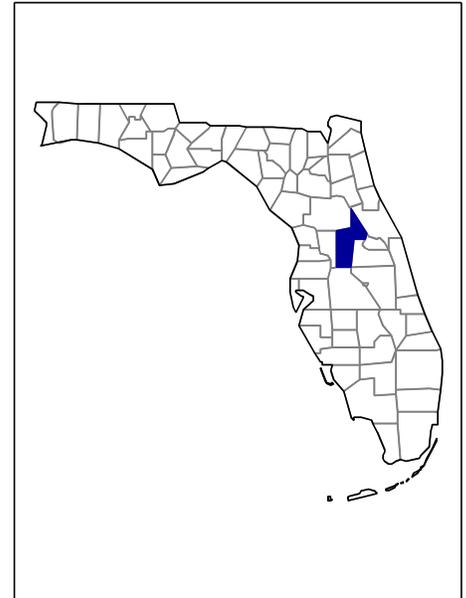
\$99,041 in 2002, \$94,298 in 1997, up 5 percent.

### Government Payments

\$103,000 in 2002, \$77,000 in 1997, up 34 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$6,900 in 2002, \$2,475 in 1997, up 179 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 67 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

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	178,076	11	67	184	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	166,274	10	66	61	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	11,801	33	67	1,742	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	17	32	49	2,679	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	14	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	12	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	740	37	62	862	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	27,493	14	65	68	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	137,455	4	65	17	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	85	4	36	482	1,774
Other crops and hay	484	27	61	1,928	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	4,896	22	66	1,532	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	3,623	21	52	751	2,493
Hogs and pigs	39	21	61	1,782	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	65	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	553	11	64	327	3,014
Aquaculture	37	35	53	745	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	2,375	2	65	41	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	28,812	19	66	1,096	3,059
Colonies of bees	24,895	2	64	7	2,392
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	17	65	(D)	2,983
Horses and ponies	2,600	6	65	295	3,065
All Goats	688	17	64	758	2,971
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Oranges	15,827	13	44	16	123
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	10,376	9	65	1,733	3,059
Nursery stock	2,563	4	64	29	2,129
Grapefruit	1,635	10	40	15	88
Tangerines	1,213	7	38	11	87

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	440
\$1,000 to \$2,499	279
\$2,500 to \$4,999	171
\$5,000 to \$9,999	184
\$10,000 to \$19,999	191
\$20,000 to \$24,999	76
\$25,000 to \$39,999	109
\$40,000 to \$49,999	56
\$50,000 to \$99,999	109
\$100,000 to \$249,999	91
\$250,000 to \$499,999	41
\$500,000 or more	51
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	98,308
Average per farm (\$)	54,768
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	75,401
Average per farm (\$)	42,006

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	816
Other	982
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,471
Female	327
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.3
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	2,518
Black or African American	39
American Indian or Alaska Native	27
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	32
More than one race	10
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	141

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<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.