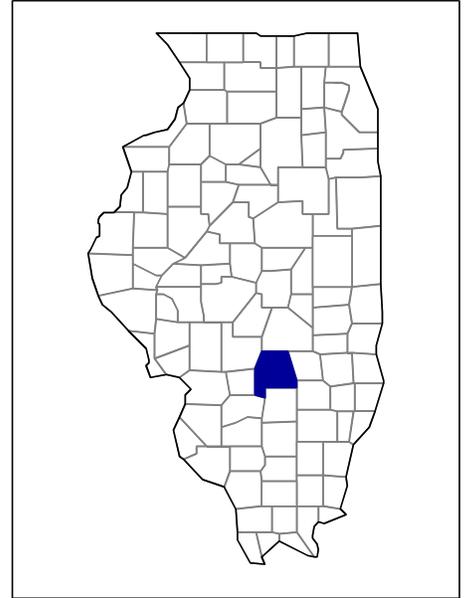




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Number of farms

1,248 farms in 2002, 1,248 farms in 1997, unchanged.

Land in farms

365,680 acres in 2002, 336,866 acres in 1997, up 9 percent.

Average size of farm

293 acres in 2002, 270 acres in 1997, up 9 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$66,491,000 in 2002, \$71,808,000 in 1997, down 7 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$56,010,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$10,481,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

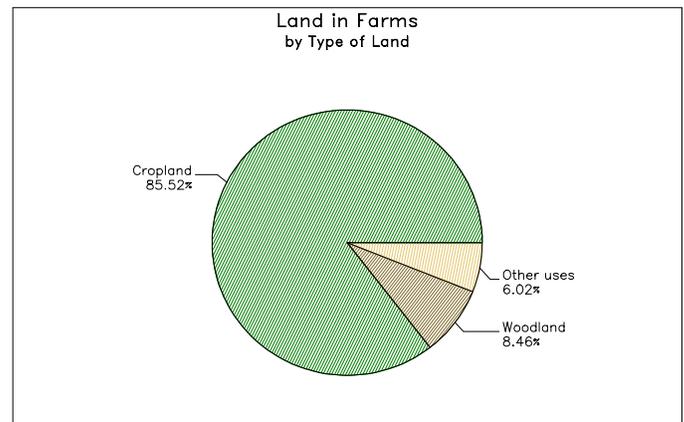
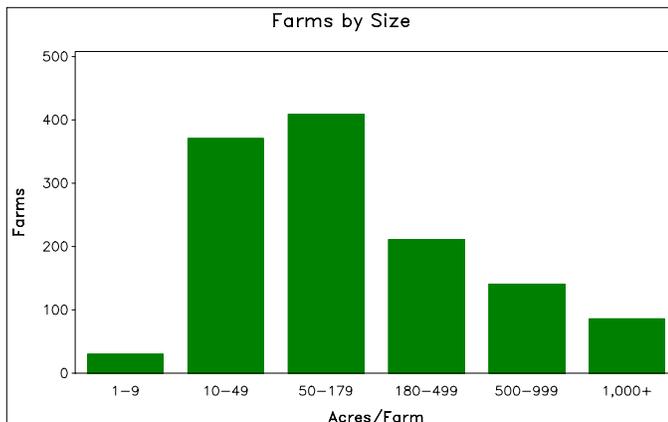
\$53,278 in 2002, \$57,538 in 1997, down 7 percent.

Government Payments

\$4,899,000 in 2002, \$3,541,000 in 1997, up 38 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,982 in 2002, \$4,759 in 1997, up 26 percent.



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Ranked items among the 102 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

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	66,491	50	102	860	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	56,010	46	102	407	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	10,481	52	102	1,841	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	48,353	47	102	255	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	194	50	97	1,387	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	155	26	93	1,036	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	20	44	78	952	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	102	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	5,136	33	102	1,502	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	3,472	17	91	776	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1,614	80	102	769	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	46	24	101	1,338	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	95	47	100	1,809	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	16,862	26	102	1,622	3,059
Hogs and pigs	11,208	74	102	683	2,926
Sheep and lambs	979	24	101	994	2,867
Horses and ponies	722	31	102	1,701	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	602	37	101	1,758	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	160,125	12	102	46	2,076
Corn for grain	100,774	43	102	210	2,592
All Wheat for grain	17,951	8	102	478	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,115	16	102	1,582	3,059
Corn for silage	1,862	15	100	793	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	390
\$1,000 to \$2,499	95
\$2,500 to \$4,999	104
\$5,000 to \$9,999	116
\$10,000 to \$19,999	103
\$20,000 to \$24,999	32
\$25,000 to \$39,999	74
\$40,000 to \$49,999	43
\$50,000 to \$99,999	92
\$100,000 to \$249,999	138
\$250,000 to \$499,999	48
\$500,000 or more	13
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	55,086
Average per farm (\$)	44,568
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	19,788
Average per farm (\$)	16,009

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	755
Other	493
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,151
Female	97
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.3
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,718
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	5
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	13

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

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.