

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Ford, Kansas

### Number of farms

701 farms in 2002, 732 farms in 1997, down 4 percent.

### Land in farms

649,460 acres in 2002, 677,769 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

### Average size of farm

926 acres in 2002, 926 acres in 1997, unchanged.

### Market Value of Production

\$214,658,000 in 2002, \$308,623,000 in 1997, down 30 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$37,270,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$177,388,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

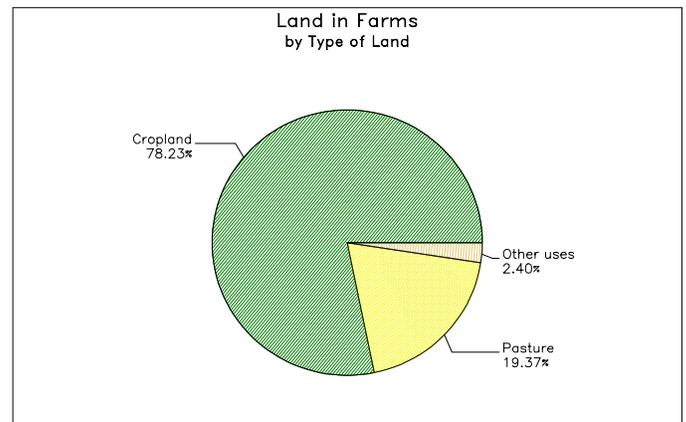
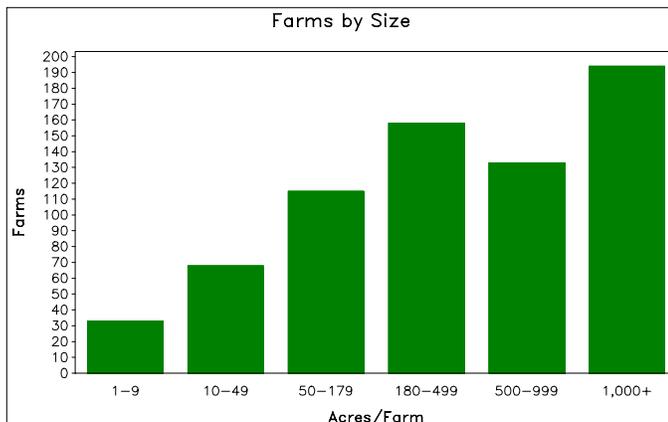
\$306,217 in 2002, \$421,616 in 1997, down 27 percent.

### Government Payments

\$5,892,000 in 2002, \$6,804,000 in 1997, down 13 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$11,531 in 2002, \$12,394 in 1997, down 7 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 105 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	214,658	8	105	129	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	37,270	17	105	699	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	177,388	8	105	81	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	31,034	19	105	470	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	5	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	28	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	95	47	77	2,097	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	40	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	5,349	7	105	236	3,046
Poultry and eggs	5	58	100	2,185	2,918
Cattle and calves	176,895	8	105	35	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	14	95	105	2,174	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	105	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	95	34	105	1,814	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	22	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	87	-	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	146,813	5	105	59	3,059
All Goats	1,292	2	98	333	2,971
Horses and ponies	740	33	105	1,666	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	498	42	105	1,904	2,983
Sheep and lambs	221	79	103	1,924	2,867
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
All Wheat for grain	115,219	23	105	104	2,517
Sorghum for grain	56,536	13	105	20	1,307
Corn for grain	39,111	20	105	581	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	27,606	52	105	808	3,059
Soybeans	9,723	64	105	1,041	2,076

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	236
\$1,000 to \$2,499	23
\$2,500 to \$4,999	37
\$5,000 to \$9,999	52
\$10,000 to \$19,999	55
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12
\$25,000 to \$39,999	60
\$40,000 to \$49,999	20
\$50,000 to \$99,999	73
\$100,000 to \$249,999	63
\$250,000 to \$499,999	36
\$500,000 or more	34
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	212,868
Average per farm (\$)	305,845
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	8,974
Average per farm (\$)	12,894

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	477
Other	224
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	625
Female	76
Average age of principal operator (years)	58.1
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	981
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	2
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	7

(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.