

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## McPherson, Kansas

### Number of farms

1,161 farms in 2002, 1,326 farms in 1997, down 12 percent.

### Land in farms

574,875 acres in 2002, 575,234 acres in 1997, down slightly.

### Average size of farm

495 acres in 2002, 434 acres in 1997, up 14 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$99,428,000 in 2002, \$121,672,000 in 1997, down 18 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$49,453,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$49,975,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

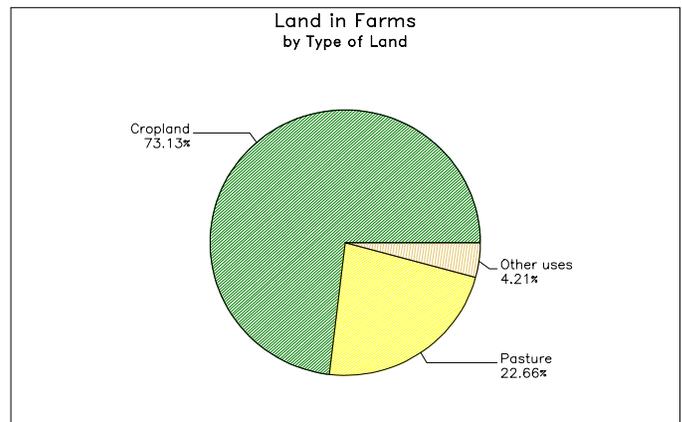
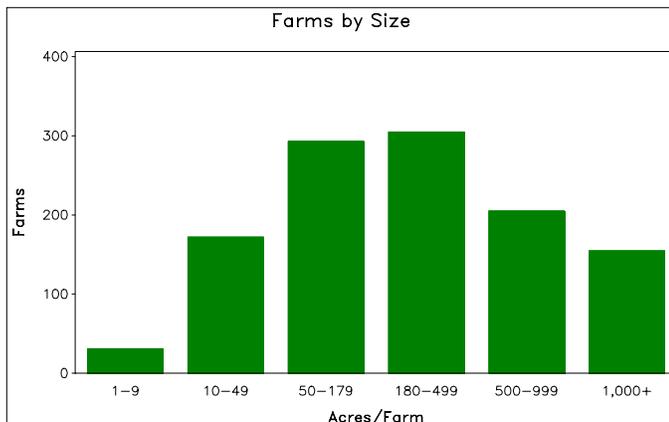
\$85,640 in 2002, \$91,759 in 1997, down 7 percent.

### Government Payments

\$4,356,000 in 2002, \$5,434,000 in 1997, down 20 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,967 in 2002, \$5,812 in 1997, up 3 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	99,428	26	105	509	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	49,453	7	105	485	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	49,975	32	105	548	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	46,875	5	105	273	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	5	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	28	-	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	(D)	(D)	77	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	40	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	2,395	24	105	527	3,046
Poultry and eggs	1,299	6	100	910	2,918
Cattle and calves	36,427	40	105	229	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	2,475	18	99	929	2,493
Hogs and pigs	8,559	10	105	329	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	899	1	105	107	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	242	7	105	933	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	22	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	2	105	(D)	2,983
Cattle and calves	48,130	52	105	605	3,059
Hogs and pigs	30,184	13	105	405	2,926
Sheep and lambs	4,429	2	103	249	2,867
Horses and ponies	961	21	105	1,342	3,065
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
All Wheat for grain	212,318	4	105	36	2,517
Sorghum for grain	71,005	3	105	8	1,307
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	33,303	38	105	636	3,059
Soybeans	31,941	34	105	704	2,076
Corn for grain	20,098	48	105	812	2,592

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	179
\$1,000 to \$2,499	61
\$2,500 to \$4,999	76
\$5,000 to \$9,999	103
\$10,000 to \$19,999	125
\$20,000 to \$24,999	58
\$25,000 to \$39,999	116
\$40,000 to \$49,999	61
\$50,000 to \$99,999	159
\$100,000 to \$249,999	157
\$250,000 to \$499,999	43
\$500,000 or more	23
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	85,309
Average per farm (\$)	73,860
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	23,196
Average per farm (\$)	20,083

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	750
Other	411
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,121
Female	40
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.4
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	1,621
Black or African American	3
American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3

(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.