

# 2002 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

## Catahoula, Louisiana

### Number of farms

435 farms in 2002, 467 farms in 1997, down 7 percent.

### Land in farms

232,075 acres in 2002, 239,479 acres in 1997, down 3 percent.

### Average size of farm

534 acres in 2002, 513 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$28,582,000 in 2002, \$44,292,000 in 1997, down 35 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$23,924,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$4,659,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

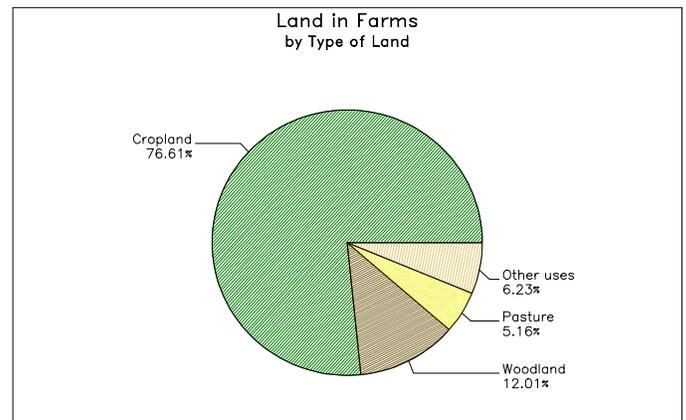
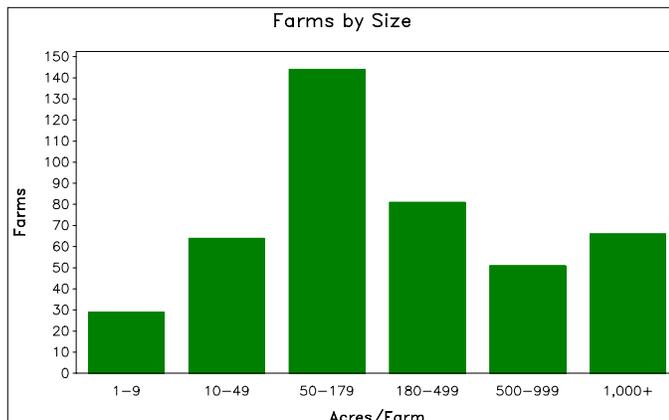
\$65,706 in 2002, \$94,844 in 1997, down 31 percent.

### Government Payments

\$5,969,000 in 2002, \$2,949,000 in 1997, up 102 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$27,009 in 2002, \$14,111 in 1997, up 91 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 64 state parishes 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	28,582	28	64	1,757	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	23,924	22	64	1,035	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	4,659	32	64	2,379	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	13,621	15	48	865	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	3	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	9,815	6	23	101	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	57	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	60	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	111	45	57	2,052	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	34	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	327	34	63	2,247	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,401	39	63	2,396	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	28	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	28	14	57	1,927	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	58	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	13	58	62	2,865	3,014
Aquaculture	3,133	3	46	72	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	81	14	51	949	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	7,589	40	63	2,282	3,059
Horses and ponies	355	43	64	2,475	3,065
Hogs and pigs	346	15	60	1,786	2,926
All Goats	148	31	59	2,052	2,971
Colonies of bees	(D)	25	42	(D)	2,392
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Soybeans	33,666	8	43	687	2,076
All Cotton	33,526	6	23	107	663
Sorghum for grain	27,657	1	26	76	1,307
Corn for grain	17,495	8	43	857	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	5,373	32	63	2,262	3,059

**Other Parish Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	131	Farming	253
\$1,000 to \$2,499	31	Other	182
\$2,500 to \$4,999	34		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	56	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	37	Male	374
\$20,000 to \$24,999	2	Female	61
\$25,000 to \$39,999	18		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	11	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	36		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	44	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	24	White	582
\$500,000 or more	11	Black or African American	17
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	36,597	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	84,716	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	764	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	1,764	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

(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.