

# 2002 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

## St. James, Louisiana

### Number of farms

69 farms in 2002, 80 farms in 1997, down 14 percent.

### Land in farms

52,802 acres in 2002, 46,624 acres in 1997, up 13 percent.

### Average size of farm

765 acres in 2002, 583 acres in 1997, up 31 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$26,649,000 in 2002, \$27,058,000 in 1997, down 2 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$26,514,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$135,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

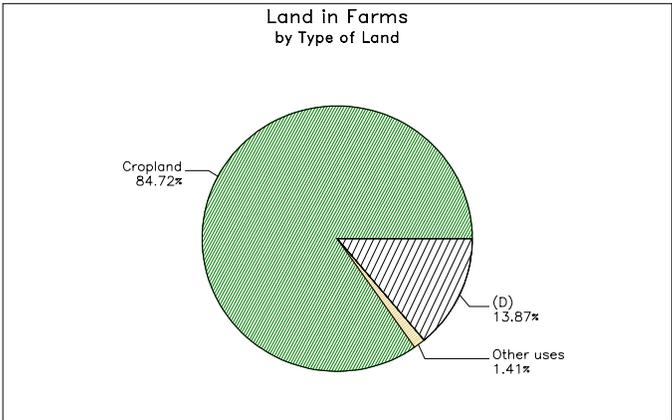
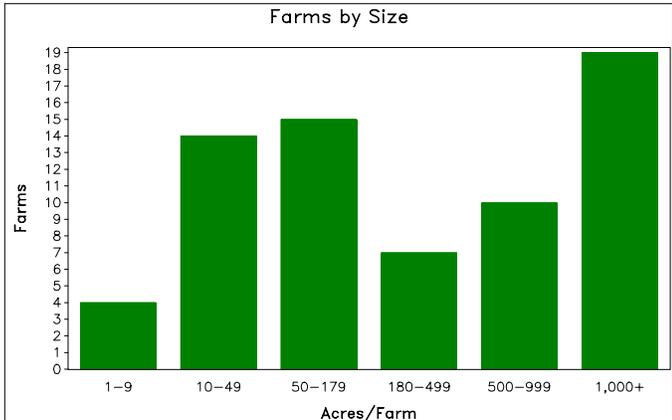
\$386,211 in 2002, \$338,220 in 1997, up 14 percent.

### Government Payments

\$48,000 in 2002, \$102,000 in 1997, down 53 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,761 in 2002, \$3,506 in 1997, down 50 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	26,649	32	64	1,830	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	26,514	18	64	955	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	135	61	64	3,024	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	48	-	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	3	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	23	-	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	(D)	(D)	57	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	34	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	26,264	5	63	54	3,046
Poultry and eggs	-	-	54	-	2,918
Cattle and calves	104	60	63	2,964	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	28	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	57	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	-	-	58	-	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	51	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	363	62	63	2,989	3,059
Horses and ponies	115	57	64	2,937	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	58	58	(D)	2,983
Mules, burros, and donkeys <sup>3</sup>	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	2,649
Hogs and pigs <sup>3</sup>	(D)	(D)	60	(D)	2,926
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Sugrcane for sugar	31,188	7	24	10	37
Sugrcane for seed	1,697	8	23	11	32
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	(D)	63	63	(D)	3,059
All Vegetables harvested	18	41	57	2,032	2,710
Head cabbage	4	7	15	394	1,019

**Other Parish Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	13	Farming	50
\$1,000 to \$2,499	6	Other	19
\$2,500 to \$4,999	2		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	3	Male	69
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1	Female	-
\$25,000 to \$39,999	2		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-	Average age of principal operator (years)	51.6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	5		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	7	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	8	White	97
\$500,000 or more	19	Black or African American	9
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	18,619	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	265,986	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	6,747	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	96,390	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.

<sup>3</sup> Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.