

2002 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

Webster, Louisiana

Number of farms

426 farms in 2002, 445 farms in 1997, down 4 percent.

Land in farms

56,764 acres in 2002, 55,366 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

Average size of farm

133 acres in 2002, 124 acres in 1997, up 7 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$7,535,000 in 2002, \$5,919,000 in 1997, up 27 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$595,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$6,940,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

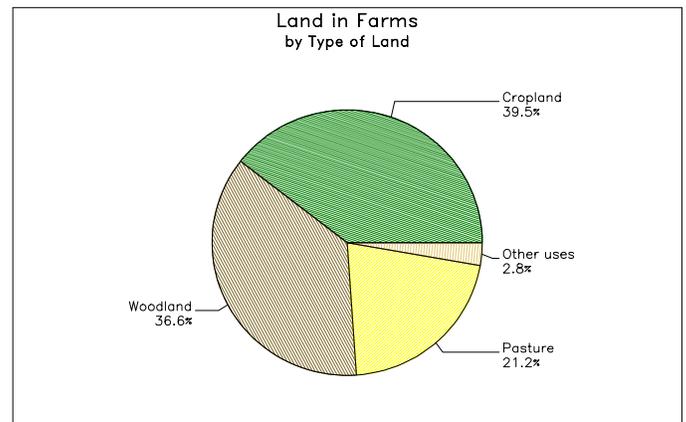
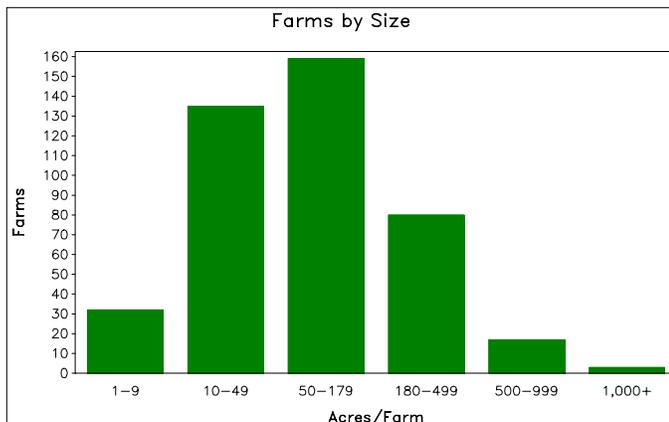
\$17,687 in 2002, \$13,301 in 1997, up 33 percent.

Government Payments

\$123,000 in 2002, \$94,000 in 1997, up 31 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,949 in 2002, \$2,009 in 1997, down 3 percent.



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United States Department of Agriculture, Louisiana Agricultural Statistics Service**

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Ranked items among the 64 state parishes 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	7,535	50	64	2,619	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	595	56	64	2,867	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	6,940	22	64	2,138	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	48	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	3	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	23	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	68	35	57	1,913	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	60	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	117	44	57	2,030	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	6	25	34	1,324	1,774
Other crops and hay	334	33	63	2,225	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	63	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	28	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	7	30	57	2,431	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	6	21	58	2,520	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	234	14	62	967	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	51	-	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	580,080	9	43	360	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	140,539	4	58	338	2,983
Cattle and calves	9,465	35	63	2,101	3,059
Horses and ponies	1,092	15	64	1,161	3,065
All Goats	445	9	59	1,101	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	8,741	20	63	1,902	3,059
Short-rotation woody crops	227	22	35	256	1,262
Dry southern peas (cowpeas)	66	1	9	46	181
All Vegetables harvested	47	28	57	1,625	2,710
Oats	(D)	13	15	(D)	2,215

Other Parish Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	128
\$1,000 to \$2,499	77
\$2,500 to \$4,999	63
\$5,000 to \$9,999	74
\$10,000 to \$19,999	44
\$20,000 to \$24,999	3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	15
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	7
\$100,000 to \$249,999	4
\$250,000 to \$499,999	5
\$500,000 or more	4
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	6,051
Average per farm (\$)	14,203
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-151
Average per farm (\$)	-354

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	211
Other	215
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	398
Female	28
Average age of principal operator (years)	57.6
All operators ² by race:	
White	542
Black or African American	46
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	4

(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.