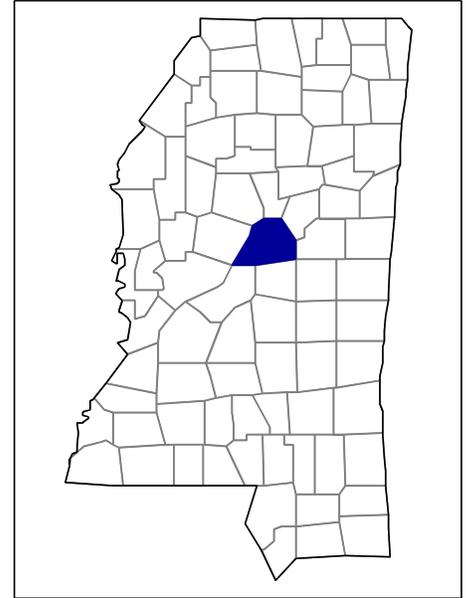


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Number of farms

526 farms in 2002, 548 farms in 1997, down 4 percent.

Land in farms

126,371 acres in 2002, 160,658 acres in 1997, down 21 percent.

Average size of farm

240 acres in 2002, 293 acres in 1997, down 18 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$8,929,000 in 2002, \$14,645,000 in 1997, down 39 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$4,342,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$4,588,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

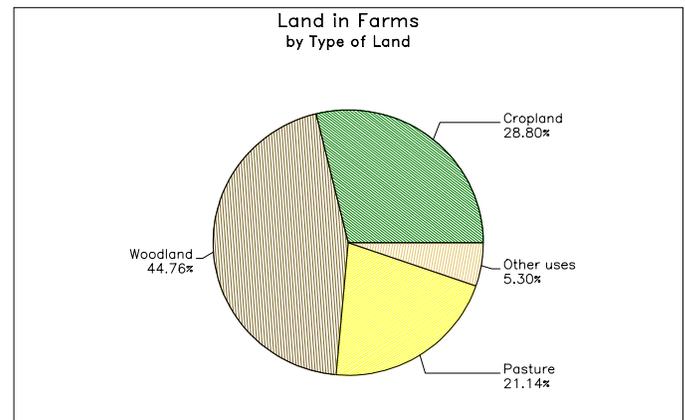
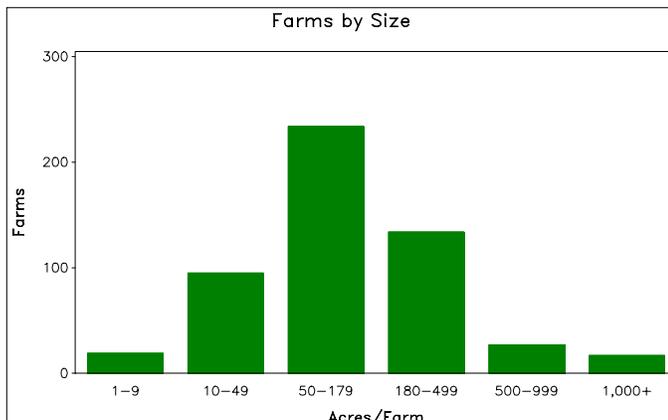
\$16,976 in 2002, \$26,725 in 1997, down 36 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,034,000 in 2002, \$1,055,000 in 1997, down 2 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,745 in 2002, \$7,033 in 1997, down 18 percent.



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Ranked items among the 82 state counties 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	8,929	64	82	2,560	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	4,342	39	82	2,158	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	4,588	56	82	2,385	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	500	46	82	1,998	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	2,424	27	61	260	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	77	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	76	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	70	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	47	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	547	11	82	1,832	3,046
Poultry and eggs	2,309	32	72	796	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,833	51	81	2,228	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	12	21	77	2,187	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	47	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	61	-	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	286,825	28	63	441	2,599
Cattle and calves	10,519	49	81	2,012	3,059
All Goats	877	5	77	557	2,971
Horses and ponies	777	37	82	1,605	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	436	53	77	2,006	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,072	36	82	1,876	3,059
All Cotton	7,800	26	62	280	663
Corn for grain	1,378	45	82	1,700	2,592
Short-rotation woody crops	1,064	9	68	33	1,262
Soybeans	941	49	67	1,544	2,076

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	240
\$1,000 to \$2,499	69
\$2,500 to \$4,999	70
\$5,000 to \$9,999	66
\$10,000 to \$19,999	32
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10
\$25,000 to \$39,999	13
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6
\$100,000 to \$249,999	5
\$250,000 to \$499,999	5
\$500,000 or more	5
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	11,868
Average per farm (\$)	22,563
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	117
Average per farm (\$)	223

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	278
Other	248
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	464
Female	62
Average age of principal operator (years)	59.1
All operators ² by race:	
White	611
Black or African American	52
American Indian or Alaska Native	3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	2
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	5

(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.