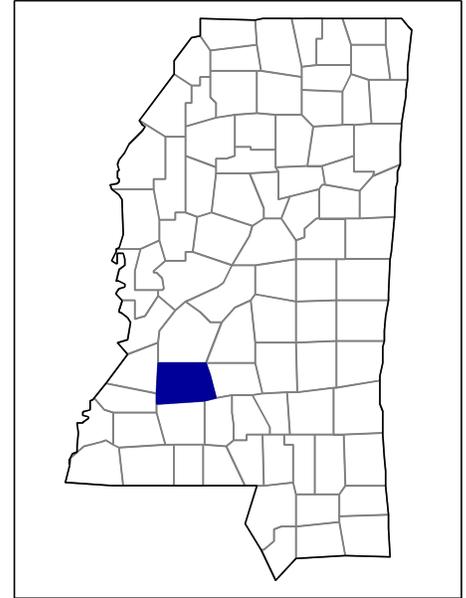


# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Copiah, Mississippi



### Number of farms

690 farms in 2002, 696 farms in 1997, down 1 percent.

### Land in farms

157,598 acres in 2002, 148,855 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

### Average size of farm

228 acres in 2002, 214 acres in 1997, up 7 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$40,580,000 in 2002, \$51,944,000 in 1997, down 22 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,739,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$37,841,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

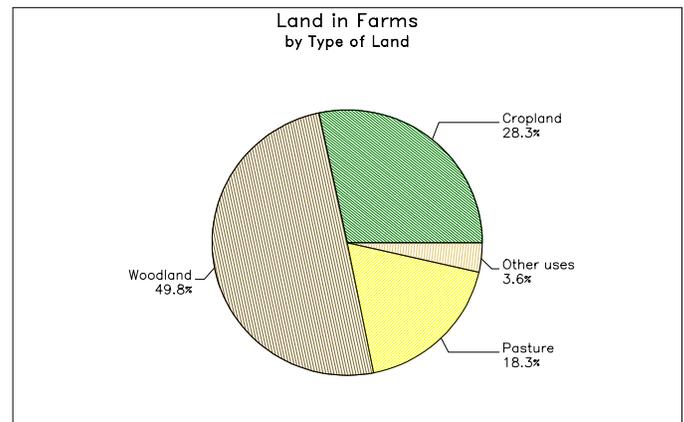
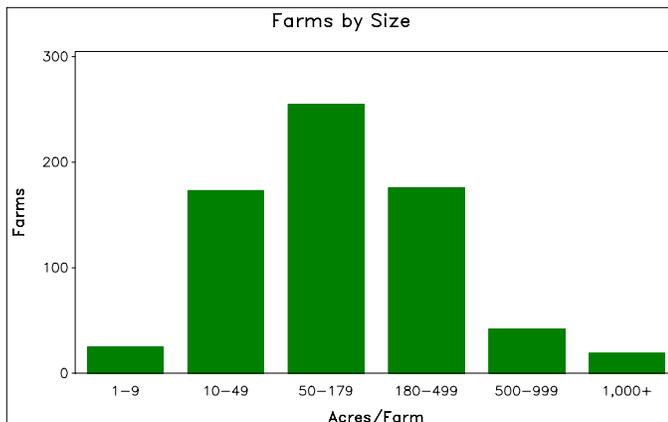
\$58,811 in 2002, \$74,633 in 1997, down 21 percent.

### Government Payments

\$502,000 in 2002, \$355,000 in 1997, up 41 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,832 in 2002, \$4,435 in 1997, down 14 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 82 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	40,580	25	82	1,417	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,739	50	82	2,378	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	37,841	17	82	776	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	68	64	82	2,467	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	61	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,289	7	77	678	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	196	24	76	912	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	70	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	185	10	47	293	1,774
Other crops and hay	347	25	82	2,192	3,046
Poultry and eggs	29,354	14	72	238	2,918
Cattle and calves	5,773	8	81	1,409	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,470	13	62	1,168	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	5	40	77	2,573	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	47	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	484	1	61	284	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,892,582	18	63	200	2,599
Cattle and calves	20,352	14	81	1,441	3,059
Horses and ponies	1,646	6	82	653	3,065
Hogs and pigs	1,270	15	78	1,272	2,926
Layers 20 weeks old and older	433	54	77	2,010	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,994	29	82	1,769	3,059
Short-rotation woody crops	1,851	4	68	20	1,262
All Vegetables harvested	546	4	77	609	2,710
Corn for grain	464	61	82	2,003	2,592
All Cotton <sup>3</sup>	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	663

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	277	Farming	323
\$1,000 to \$2,499	94	Other	367
\$2,500 to \$4,999	83	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	79	Male	618
\$10,000 to \$19,999	57	Female	72
\$20,000 to \$24,999	17	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	22	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	White	846
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11	Black or African American	91
\$100,000 to \$249,999	10	American Indian or Alaska Native	6
\$250,000 to \$499,999	20	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	16	Asian	2
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	43,072	More than one race	12
Average per farm (\$)	62,424	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	12
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	8,003		
Average per farm (\$)	11,599		

(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.