



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Christian, Missouri



Number of farms

1,294 farms in 2002, 1,386 farms in 1997, down 7 percent.

Land in farms

213,477 acres in 2002, 215,998 acres in 1997, down 1 percent.

Average size of farm

165 acres in 2002, 156 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$26,968,000 in 2002, \$26,339,000 in 1997, up 2 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$3,000,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$23,968,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

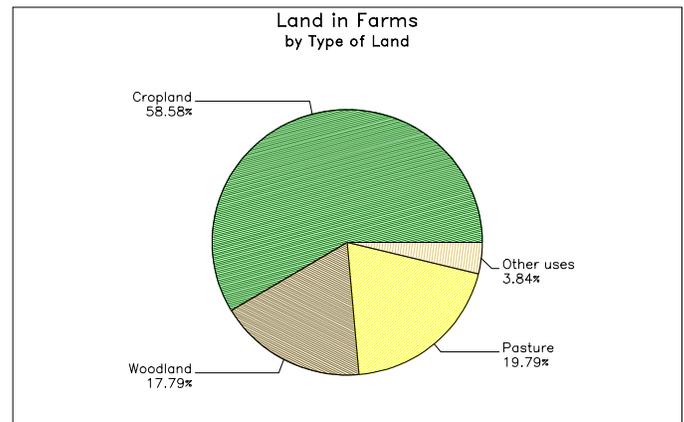
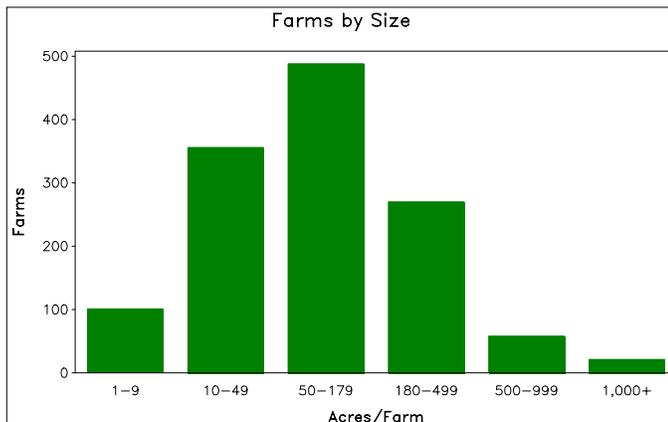
\$20,840 in 2002, \$19,003 in 1997, up 10 percent.

Government Payments

\$687,000 in 2002, \$136,000 in 1997, up 405 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$2,464 in 2002, \$1,675 in 1997, up 47 percent.



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Ranked items among the 114 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	26,968	78	114	1,820	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	3,000	90	114	2,337	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	23,968	49	114	1,140	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	112	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	20	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	8	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	59	58	104	1,976	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	8	92	105	2,258	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	668	28	108	1,275	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	61	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	2,136	14	114	590	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	114	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	16,047	26	114	657	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	5,599	16	109	577	2,493
Hogs and pigs	39	98	112	1,780	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	63	29	113	1,104	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	113	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	44	30	107	1,197	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	(D)	17	100	(D)	2,328
Cattle and calves	57,451	23	114	458	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,445	12	114	327	3,065
All Goats	1,286	8	113	335	2,971
Sheep and lambs	881	31	109	1,071	2,867
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	55,010	24	114	242	3,059
All Field and grass seed crops	4,777	28	108	60	1,293
Corn for grain	467	91	107	2,000	2,592
Corn for silage	451	61	101	1,470	2,307
All Wheat for grain	260	97	111	1,974	2,517

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	266	Farming	699
\$1,000 to \$2,499	162	Other	595
\$2,500 to \$4,999	191	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	216	Male	1,153
\$10,000 to \$19,999	191	Female	141
\$20,000 to \$24,999	57	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	62	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	27	White	1,939
\$50,000 to \$99,999	66	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	43	American Indian or Alaska Native	18
\$250,000 to \$499,999	10	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	3	Asian	3
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	23,283	More than one race	9
Average per farm (\$)	18,049	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	20
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	3,859		
Average per farm (\$)	2,992		

(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.