



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Polk, Missouri



Number of farms

1,768 farms in 2002, 1,748 farms in 1997, up 1 percent.

Land in farms

369,396 acres in 2002, 356,933 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

Average size of farm

209 acres in 2002, 204 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$59,965,000 in 2002, \$49,442,000 in 1997, up 21 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$4,457,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$55,508,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

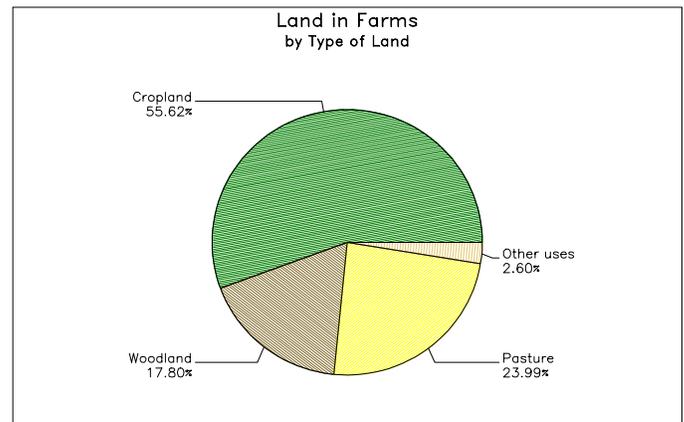
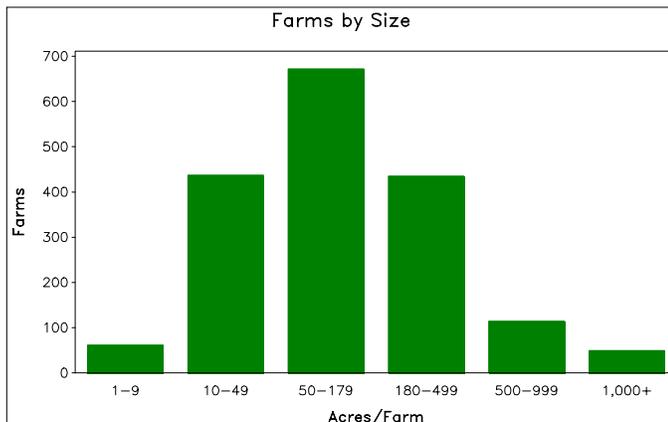
\$33,917 in 2002, \$28,285 in 1997, up 20 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,277,000 in 2002, \$251,000 in 1997, up 409 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$2,889 in 2002, \$1,503 in 1997, up 92 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	59,965	27	114	956	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	4,457	82	114	2,135	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	55,508	13	114	493	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	484	87	112	2,005	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	20	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	8	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	50	63	104	2,044	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	99	45	105	1,255	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	846	24	108	1,165	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	61	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	2,978	4	114	417	3,046
Poultry and eggs	9,569	17	114	467	2,918
Cattle and calves	32,928	2	114	265	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	11,425	7	109	333	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1,063	64	112	860	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	61	31	113	1,122	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	422	18	113	497	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	107	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	321,676	9	100	77	2,328
Cattle and calves	109,365	1	114	105	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	19,772	21	113	671	2,983
Hogs and pigs	6,036	63	112	858	2,926
Horses and ponies	2,824	6	114	245	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	91,702	2	114	55	3,059
All Field and grass seed crops	20,783	2	108	11	1,293
Corn for grain	1,197	86	107	1,746	2,592
All Wheat for grain	1,171	75	111	1,484	2,517
Soybeans	997	88	103	1,531	2,076

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	335	Farming	1,039
\$1,000 to \$2,499	207	Other	729
\$2,500 to \$4,999	200		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	300	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	282	Male	1,603
\$20,000 to \$24,999	70	Female	165
\$25,000 to \$39,999	133		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	40	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	81		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	70	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	26	White	2,597
\$500,000 or more	24	Black or African American	9
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	50,620	American Indian or Alaska Native	8
Average per farm (\$)	28,761	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
		Asian	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	12,365	More than one race	13
Average per farm (\$)	7,026	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	25

(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.