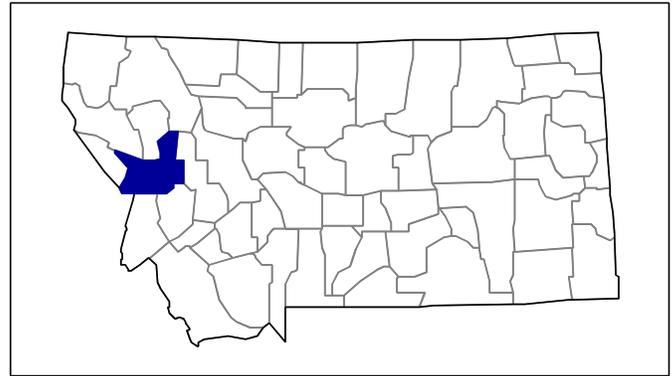




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Number of farms

641 farms in 2002, 608 farms in 1997, up 5 percent.

Land in farms

258,315 acres in 2002, 269,357 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Average size of farm

403 acres in 2002, 443 acres in 1997, down 9 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$8,361,000 in 2002, \$8,517,000 in 1997, down 2 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,788,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$5,573,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

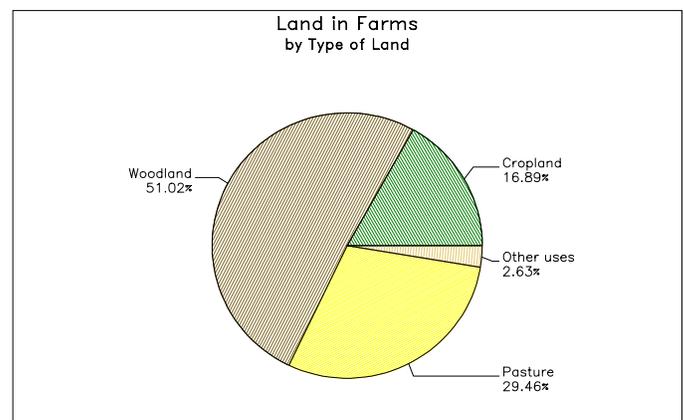
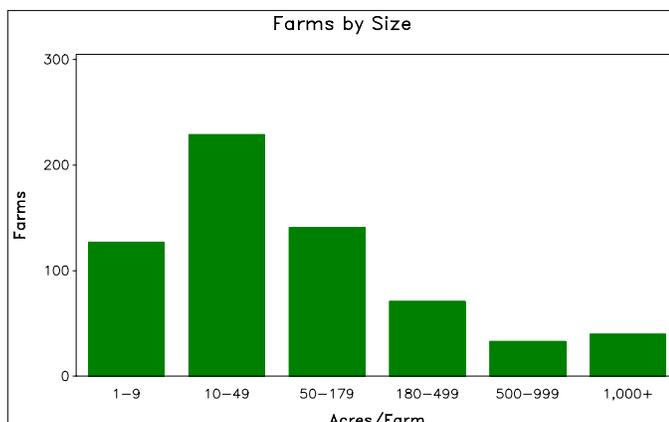
\$13,044 in 2002, \$14,007 in 1997, down 7 percent.

Government Payments

\$142,000 in 2002, \$125,000 in 1997, up 14 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$2,212 in 2002, \$2,970 in 1997, down 26 percent.



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Ranked items among the 56 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	8,361	51	56	2,580	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,788	40	56	2,371	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,573	52	56	2,284	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	320	49	55	2,122	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	83	19	41	1,808	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	22	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	954	8	41	1,115	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	8	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,371	33	56	956	3,046
Poultry and eggs	3	37	52	2,421	2,918
Cattle and calves	4,489	52	56	1,605	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	53	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	125	35	56	672	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	332	12	56	649	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	14	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	571	17	52	243	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	10,737	52	56	1,997	3,059
Colonies of bees	4,223	9	44	136	2,392
Horses and ponies	2,439	14	56	333	3,065
Sheep and lambs	1,770	37	56	621	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	493	31	54	1,912	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	20,043	47	56	1,099	3,059
All Wheat for grain	1,508	49	54	1,390	2,517
Barley	486	50	55	418	1,246
Oats	108	48	55	1,482	2,215
Cut Christmas trees	33	5	8	994	1,877

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	279
\$1,000 to \$2,499	106
\$2,500 to \$4,999	74
\$5,000 to \$9,999	54
\$10,000 to \$19,999	38
\$20,000 to \$24,999	15
\$25,000 to \$39,999	26
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	26
\$100,000 to \$249,999	11
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4
\$500,000 or more	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	11,029
Average per farm (\$)	17,179
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-1,606
Average per farm (\$)	-2,501

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	286
Other	355
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	519
Female	122
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.5
All operators ² by race:	
White	935
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	12
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	2
More than one race	9
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	6

(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.