



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Eau Claire, Wisconsin



Number of farms

1,174 farms in 2002, 1,162 farms in 1997, up 1 percent.

Land in farms

204,298 acres in 2002, 213,767 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Average size of farm

174 acres in 2002, 184 acres in 1997, down 5 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$49,972,000 in 2002, \$62,981,000 in 1997, down 21 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$17,688,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$32,284,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

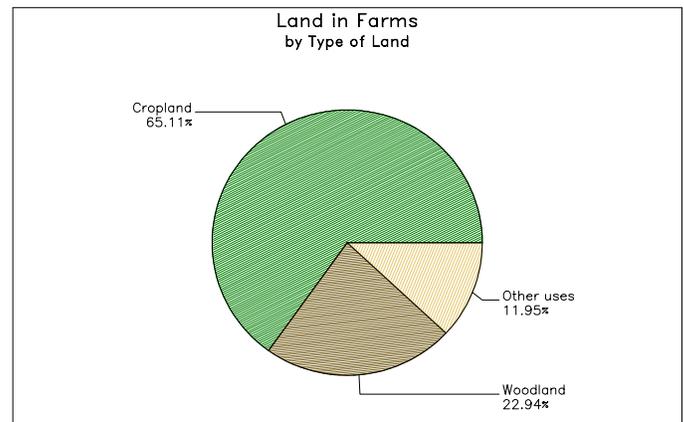
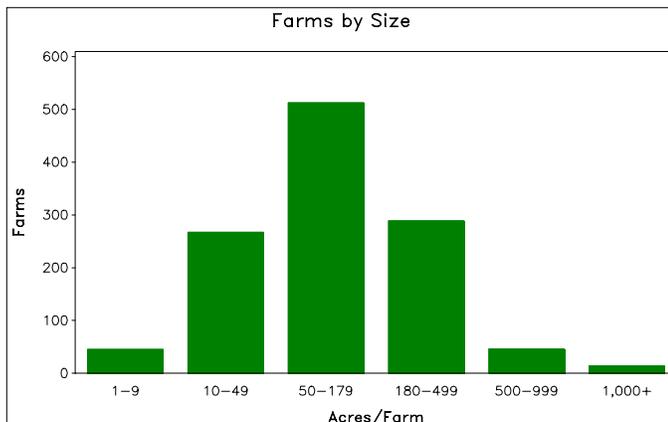
\$42,566 in 2002, \$54,201 in 1997, down 21 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,948,000 in 2002, \$1,804,000 in 1997, up 63 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$4,864 in 2002, \$2,900 in 1997, up 68 percent.



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United States Department of Agriculture, Wisconsin Agricultural Statistics Service**

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Ranked items among the 72 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	49,972	46	72	1,172	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	17,688	41	72	1,264	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	32,284	42	72	878	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	10,845	34	72	968	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	13	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	71	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	348	34	71	663	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,821	23	70	662	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	68	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,339	41	72	987	3,046
Poultry and eggs	2,455	17	71	783	2,918
Cattle and calves	8,504	40	72	1,113	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	20,410	45	69	219	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	71	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	33	52	70	1,558	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	523	6	69	363	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	68	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	3	71	(D)	2,599
Cattle and calves	33,470	40	72	958	3,059
Turkeys	(D)	11	69	(D)	2,328
Layers 20 weeks old and older	3,347	29	72	858	2,983
Hogs and pigs	1,923	40	72	1,144	2,926
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	38,462	36	72	511	3,059
Corn for grain	32,915	35	69	630	2,592
Soybeans	17,908	36	67	879	2,076
Oats	4,358	23	71	93	2,215
Corn for silage	4,030	53	71	446	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	482
\$1,000 to \$2,499	72
\$2,500 to \$4,999	80
\$5,000 to \$9,999	79
\$10,000 to \$19,999	103
\$20,000 to \$24,999	43
\$25,000 to \$39,999	58
\$40,000 to \$49,999	28
\$50,000 to \$99,999	93
\$100,000 to \$249,999	105
\$250,000 to \$499,999	16
\$500,000 or more	15
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	42,343
Average per farm (\$)	36,221
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	12,790
Average per farm (\$)	10,941

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	657
Other	517
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,029
Female	145
Average age of principal operator (years)	53.8
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,722
Black or African American	2
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	2
More than one race	4
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	20

(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.