

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Platte, Wyoming

Number of farms

462 farms in 2002, 469 farms in 1997, down 1 percent.

Land in farms

1,344,358 acres in 2002, 1,295,424 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

Average size of farm

2,910 acres in 2002, 2,762 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$79,906,000 in 2002, \$69,463,000 in 1997, up 15 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$7,465,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$72,441,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

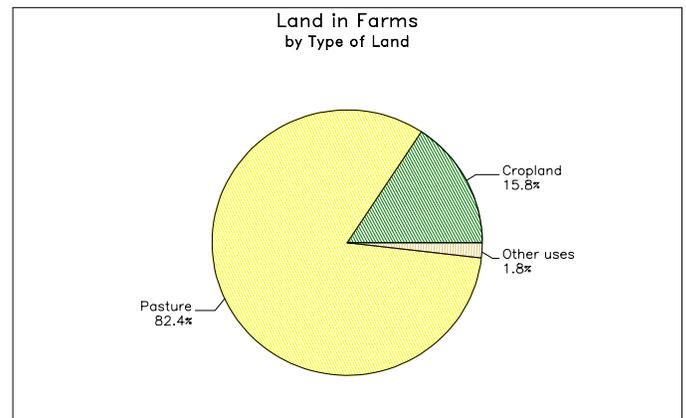
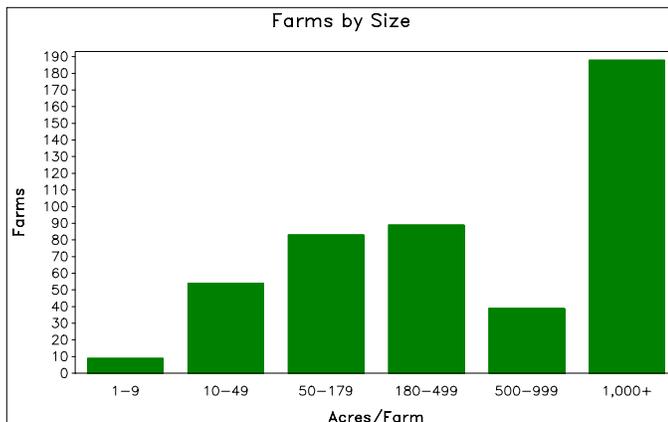
\$172,957 in 2002, \$148,109 in 1997, up 17 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,369,000 in 2002, \$2,367,000 in 1997, up slightly.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$10,769 in 2002, \$12,723 in 1997, down 15 percent.



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

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Ranked items among the 23 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	79,906	2	23	698	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	7,465	7	23	1,847	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	72,441	2	23	339	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	20	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	8	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	5	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	17	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	3	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	4,365	7	23	281	3,046
Poultry and eggs	13	5	23	1,892	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	23	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	940	3	16	1,390	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	22	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	46	22	23	1,327	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	283	16	23	784	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	12	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	18	19	22	1,574	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	96,245	3	23	143	3,059
Hogs and pigs	(D)	1	21	(D)	2,926
Horses and ponies	2,164	16	23	415	3,065
Sheep and lambs	885	23	23	1,069	2,867
Pheasants	880	3	10	316	1,541
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	42,968	10	23	425	3,059
All Wheat for grain	10,672	3	16	620	2,517
Corn for silage	7,158	2	16	244	2,307
Barley	3,576	5	20	168	1,246
Sugarbeets for sugar	2,138	5	7	77	158

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	82	Farming	315
\$1,000 to \$2,499	44	Other	147
\$2,500 to \$4,999	35		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	44	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	49	Male	402
\$20,000 to \$24,999	14	Female	60
\$25,000 to \$39,999	33		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	15	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	58		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	50	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	22	White	722
\$500,000 or more	16	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	79,527	American Indian or Alaska Native	6
Average per farm (\$)	172,509	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	1
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	2,919	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	6,331	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	18

(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.