

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Platte, Nebraska

Number of farms

1,000 farms in 2002, 1,083 farms in 1997, down 8 percent.

Land in farms

434,529 acres in 2002, 429,401 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

Average size of farm

435 acres in 2002, 396 acres in 1997, up 10 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$199,414,000 in 2002, \$228,699,000 in 1997, down 13 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$72,478,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$126,935,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

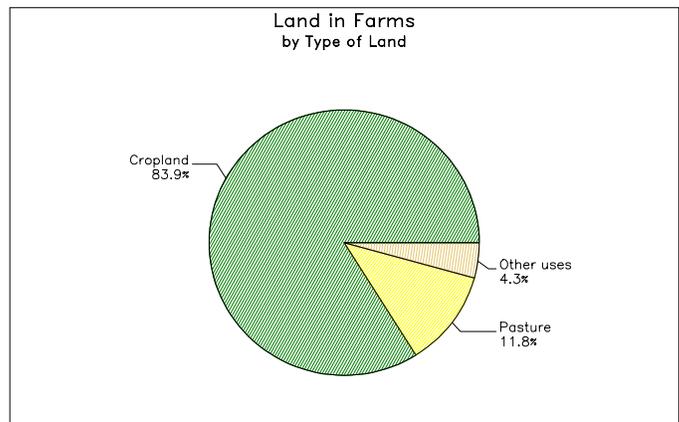
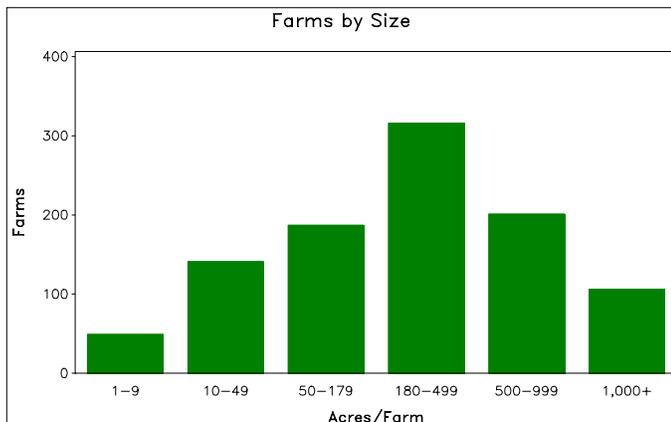
\$199,414 in 2002, \$211,172 in 1997, down 6 percent.

Government Payments

\$6,399,000 in 2002, \$5,883,000 in 1997, up 9 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,579 in 2002, \$7,740 in 1997, up 24 percent.



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Ranked items among the 93 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 | 199,414 | 8 | 93 | 152 | 3,075 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse | 72,478 | 12 | 93 | 271 | 3,070 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products | 126,935 | 13 | 93 | 140 | 3,070 |
| VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas | 67,070 | 12 | 91 | 124 | 2,871 |
| Tobacco | - | - | - | - | 560 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | - | - | - | - | 656 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes | 3,520 | 5 | 66 | 394 | 2,747 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries | - | - | 40 | - | 2,638 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod | (D) | (D) | 68 | (D) | 2,708 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops | (D) | (D) | 31 | (D) | 1,774 |
| Other crops and hay | 1,306 | 47 | 93 | 1,000 | 3,046 |
| Poultry and eggs | (D) | (D) | 91 | (D) | 2,918 |
| Cattle and calves | 85,494 | 15 | 93 | 80 | 3,053 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows | 2,910 | 16 | 73 | 849 | 2,493 |
| Hogs and pigs | 38,319 | 2 | 91 | 72 | 2,919 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products | 121 | 20 | 89 | 701 | 2,997 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys | 65 | 45 | 93 | 2,172 | 3,014 |
| Aquaculture | (D) | (D) | 24 | (D) | 1,520 |
| Other animals and other animal products | - | - | 74 | - | 2,727 |
| TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number) | | | | | |
| Hogs and pigs | 189,872 | 1 | 90 | 65 | 2,926 |
| Cattle and calves | 80,484 | 21 | 93 | 226 | 3,059 |
| Sheep and lambs | 1,448 | 24 | 90 | 732 | 2,867 |
| Horses and ponies | 575 | 33 | 93 | 1,997 | 3,065 |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens | 485 | 20 | 78 | 1,119 | 2,599 |
| TOP CROP ITEMS (acres) | | | | | |
| Corn for grain | 178,258 | 4 | 93 | 29 | 2,592 |
| Soybeans | 125,092 | 5 | 84 | 142 | 2,076 |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 20,178 | 45 | 93 | 1,095 | 3,059 |
| Corn for silage | 10,365 | 6 | 92 | 147 | 2,307 |
| Potatoes | (D) | 5 | 34 | (D) | 1,551 |

Other County Highlights

| Economic Characteristics | Quantity | Operator Characteristics | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales | | Principal operators by primary occupation: | |
| Less than \$1,000 | 105 | Farming | 791 |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499 | 36 | Other | 209 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 29 | Principal operators by sex: | |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 56 | Male | 962 |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 76 | Female | 38 |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999 | 33 | Average age of principal operator (years) | 51.6 |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999 | 89 | All operators ² by race: | |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999 | 50 | White | 1,423 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 144 | Black or African American | - |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 | 207 | American Indian or Alaska Native | - |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 | 97 | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | - |
| \$500,000 or more | 78 | Asian | - |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) | 186,161 | More than one race | - |
| Average per farm (\$) | 185,419 | All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin | 9 |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 22,911 | | |
| Average per farm (\$) | 22,820 | | |

(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.