

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Mifflin, Pennsylvania

### Number of farms

752 farms in 2002, 825 farms in 1997, down 9 percent.

### Land in farms

90,486 acres in 2002, 89,622 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

### Average size of farm

120 acres in 2002, 109 acres in 1997, up 10 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$55,488,000 in 2002, \$54,339,000 in 1997, up 2 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$4,768,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$50,721,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

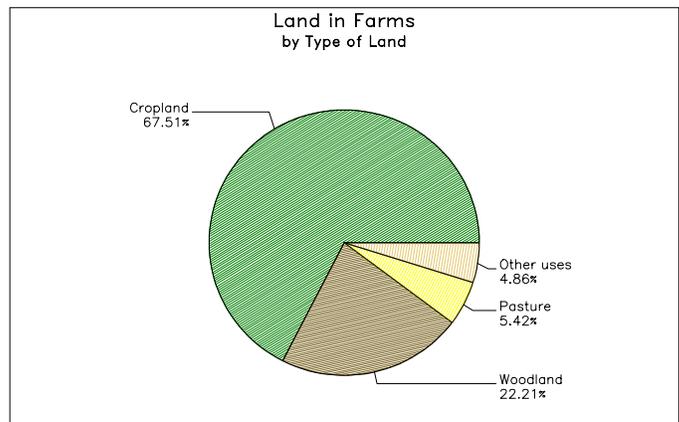
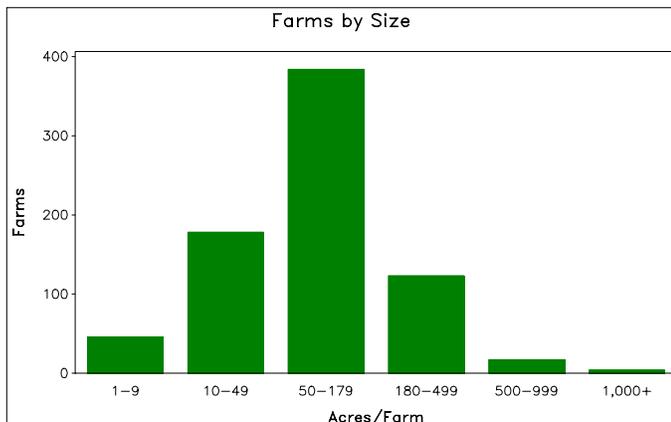
\$73,788 in 2002, \$65,865 in 1997, up 12 percent.

### Government Payments

\$1,748,000 in 2002, \$441,000 in 1997, up 296 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$10,163 in 2002, \$2,639 in 1997, up 285 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 67 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	55,488	22	67	1,037	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	4,768	49	67	2,101	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	50,721	16	66	536	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,287	29	65	1,515	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	19	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	699	43	67	883	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	330	34	66	683	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	440	57	66	1,482	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	305	27	66	175	1,774
Other crops and hay	707	52	66	1,587	3,046
Poultry and eggs	8,184	16	66	508	2,918
Cattle and calves	5,685	22	66	1,419	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	30,834	12	65	146	2,493
Hogs and pigs	5,236	14	66	465	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	113	21	66	734	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	192	23	65	1,141	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	60	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	477	8	66	292	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	232,978	14	64	461	2,599
Turkeys	110,551	10	61	154	2,328
Cattle and calves	32,287	15	66	989	3,059
Hogs and pigs	22,528	12	65	486	2,926
Ducks	14,135	5	65	26	2,630
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	22,806	33	66	986	3,059
Corn for grain	11,576	27	66	993	2,592
Corn for silage	10,535	14	65	144	2,307
Soybeans	3,473	29	58	1,270	2,076
Oats	1,750	25	64	295	2,215

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	122	Farming	530
\$1,000 to \$2,499	64	Other	222
\$2,500 to \$4,999	63		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	69	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	84	Male	720
\$20,000 to \$24,999	24	Female	32
\$25,000 to \$39,999	46		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	27	Average age of principal operator (years)	49.2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	79		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	128	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	29	White	1,051
\$500,000 or more	17	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	42,711	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	56,873	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	14,743	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	19,631	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	4

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.