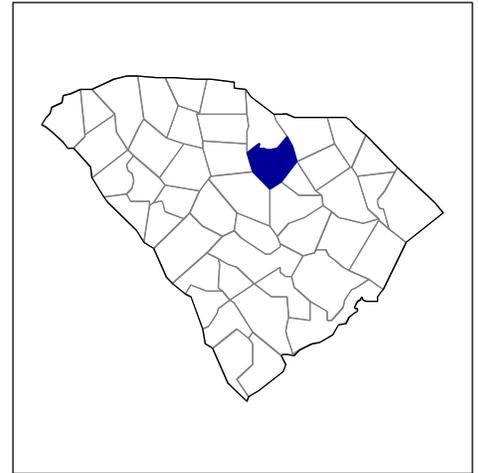




# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Kershaw, South Carolina



### Number of farms

479 farms in 2002, 426 farms in 1997, up 12 percent.

### Land in farms

69,703 acres in 2002, 80,972 acres in 1997, down 14 percent.

### Average size of farm

146 acres in 2002, 190 acres in 1997, down 23 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$84,475,000 in 2002, \$60,386,000 in 1997, up 40 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,081,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$82,394,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

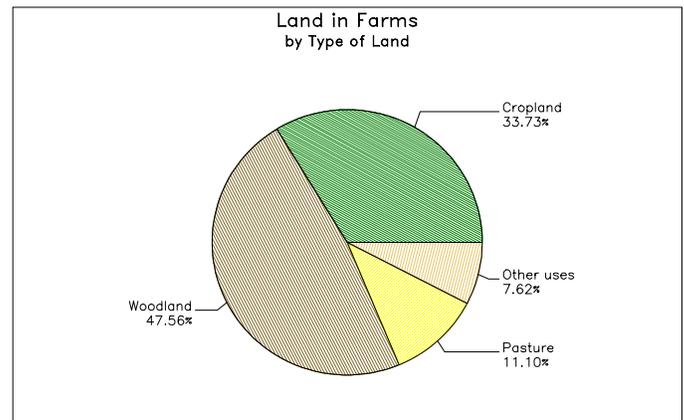
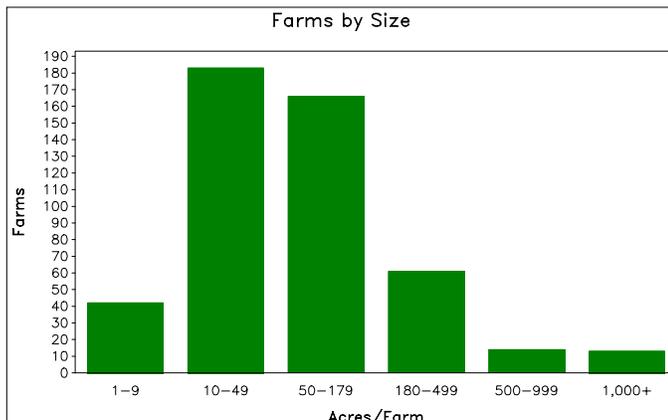
\$176,356 in 2002, \$141,752 in 1997, up 24 percent.

### Government Payments

\$325,000 in 2002, \$471,000 in 1997, down 31 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,969 in 2002, \$4,060 in 1997, down 2 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 46 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	84,475	2	46	651	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,081	38	46	2,498	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	82,394	1	46	277	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	425	27	46	2,043	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	19	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	304	24	46	1,184	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	45	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	601	30	45	1,343	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	38	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	591	14	46	1,752	3,046
Poultry and eggs	72,447	1	45	80	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	34	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	8	29	46	2,416	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	3,643	2	46	25	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	26	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	10	11	36	1,823	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Turkeys	1,116,004	1	38	21	2,328
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	830,112	13	42	314	2,599
Quail	(D)	2	29	(D)	1,412
Hogs and pigs	(D)	4	46	(D)	2,926
Layers 20 weeks old and older <sup>3</sup>	(D)	(D)	44	(D)	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	5,843	21	46	2,198	3,059
Soybeans	1,576	25	42	1,430	2,076
All Wheat for grain	1,406	20	45	1,422	2,517
Corn for grain	1,110	26	44	1,769	2,592
Short-rotation woody crops	385	18	41	167	1,262

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	219	Farming	222
\$1,000 to \$2,499	73	Other	257
\$2,500 to \$4,999	49	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	38	Male	394
\$10,000 to \$19,999	26	Female	85
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	6	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	White	618
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12	Black or African American	46
\$100,000 to \$249,999	8	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	39	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	60,696	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	125,924	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	6
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	26,440		
Average per farm (\$)	54,854		

(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.

<sup>3</sup> Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.