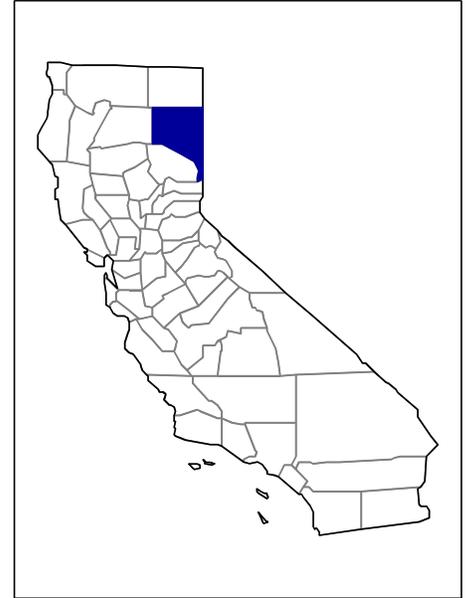




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Number of farms

419 farms in 2002, 446 farms in 1997, down 6 percent.

Land in farms

481,826 acres in 2002, 456,364 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

Average size of farm

1,150 acres in 2002, 1,023 acres in 1997, up 12 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$28,026,000 in 2002, \$27,193,000 in 1997, up 3 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$15,950,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$12,076,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

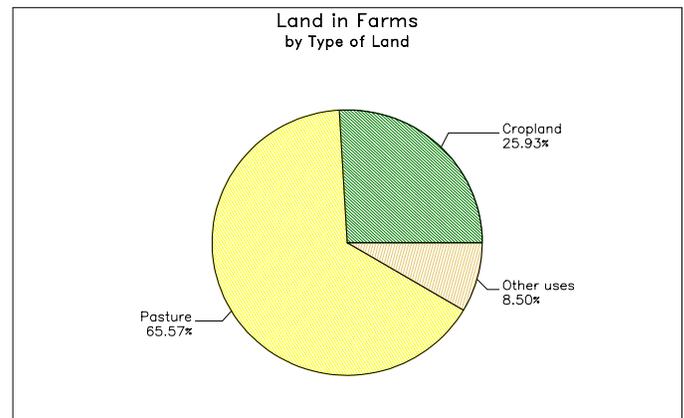
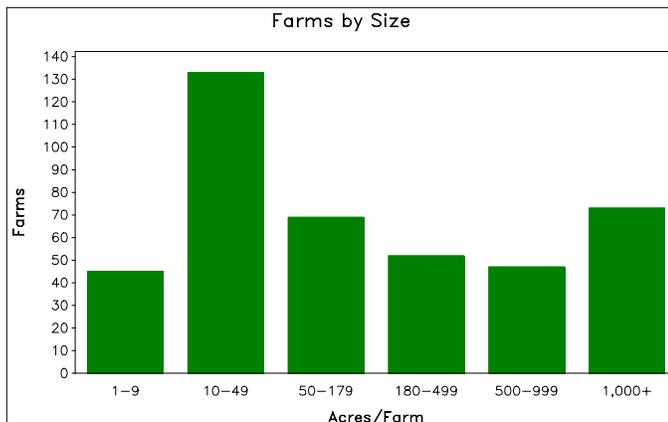
\$66,888 in 2002, \$60,972 in 1997, up 10 percent.

Government Payments

\$586,000 in 2002, \$130,000 in 1997, up 351 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$7,239 in 2002, \$2,248 in 1997, up 222 percent.



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Ranked items among the 58 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	28,026	43	58	1,777	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	15,950	42	58	1,336	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	12,076	32	58	1,721	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	333	32	48	2,107	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	17	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	60	52	55	1,499	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	43	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	5,478	21	57	230	3,046
Poultry and eggs	12	46	56	1,914	2,918
Cattle and calves	11,136	25	57	914	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	47	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	56	25	53	1,657	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	354	23	56	255	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	137	42	56	1,472	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	51	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	35	48	54	1,287	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	49,324	21	57	583	3,059
Sheep and lambs	4,138	28	57	267	2,867
Horses and ponies	1,506	33	57	756	3,065
Pheasants	1,300	12	41	232	1,541
Layers 20 weeks old and older	459	45	56	1,963	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	38,336	15	57	515	3,059
All Wheat for grain	1,446	22	38	1,407	2,517
Mint for oil	815	1	5	30	87
Oats	570	18	39	766	2,215
All Vegetables harvested	438	36	56	688	2,710

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	115
\$1,000 to \$2,499	48
\$2,500 to \$4,999	47
\$5,000 to \$9,999	51
\$10,000 to \$19,999	32
\$20,000 to \$24,999	14
\$25,000 to \$39,999	24
\$40,000 to \$49,999	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	23
\$100,000 to \$249,999	34
\$250,000 to \$499,999	12
\$500,000 or more	8
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	33,345
Average per farm (\$)	79,583
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-630
Average per farm (\$)	-1,504

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	260
Other	159
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	353
Female	66
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.9
All operators ² by race:	
White	654
Black or African American	3
American Indian or Alaska Native	15
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
Asian	1
More than one race	9
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	32

(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.