

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Mariposa, California



### Number of farms

284 farms in 2002, 336 farms in 1997, down 15 percent.

### Land in farms

219,133 acres in 2002, 210,613 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

### Average size of farm

772 acres in 2002, 627 acres in 1997, up 23 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$6,285,000 in 2002, \$5,880,000 in 1997, up 7 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$470,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$5,815,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

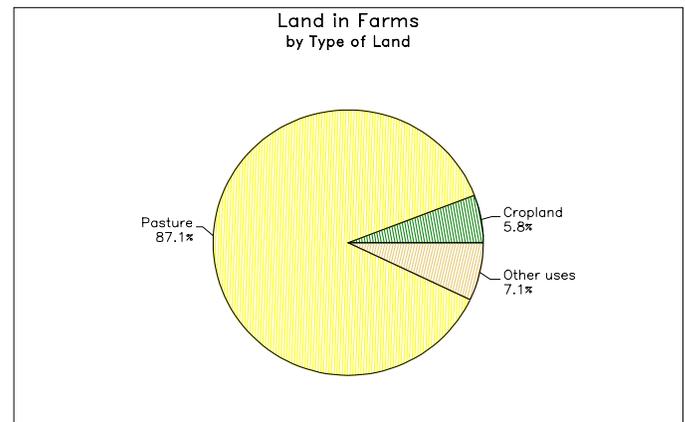
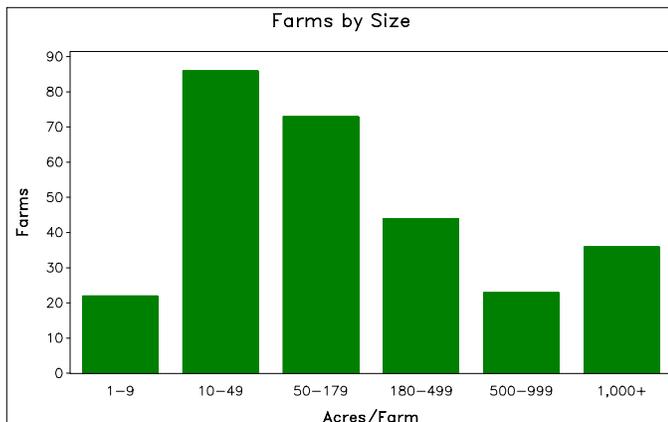
\$22,130 in 2002, \$17,499 in 1997, up 26 percent.

### Government Payments

\$66,000 in 2002, \$9,000 in 1997, up 633 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$7,363 in 2002, \$871 in 1997, up 745 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 58 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	6,285	54	58	2,698	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	470	56	58	2,897	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,815	44	58	2,249	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	48	-	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	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	157	51	55	1,921	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	54	26	43	621	1,774
Other crops and hay	6	57	57	3,018	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	4,814	36	57	1,549	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	612	37	47	1,568	2,493
Hogs and pigs	13	39	53	2,216	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	148	40	56	1,401	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	3	53	54	2,209	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	22,579	31	57	1,332	3,059
Turkeys	(D)	11	48	(D)	2,328
All Goats	933	34	55	516	2,971
Horses and ponies	689	45	57	1,765	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	551	41	56	1,824	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	453	54	57	2,963	3,059
Grapes	71	45	52	171	1,830
Apples	45	36	53	571	2,173
Short-rotation woody crops	20	15	40	849	1,262
Almonds <sup>3</sup>	(D)	(D)	41	(D)	72

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	92	Farming	161
\$1,000 to \$2,499	52	Other	123
\$2,500 to \$4,999	28	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	38	Male	237
\$10,000 to \$19,999	32	Female	47
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	10	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	White	437
\$50,000 to \$99,999	9	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	10	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3
\$500,000 or more	3	Asian	4
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	11,772	More than one race	6
Average per farm (\$)	41,894	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	38
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-2,150		
Average per farm (\$)	-7,650		

(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.