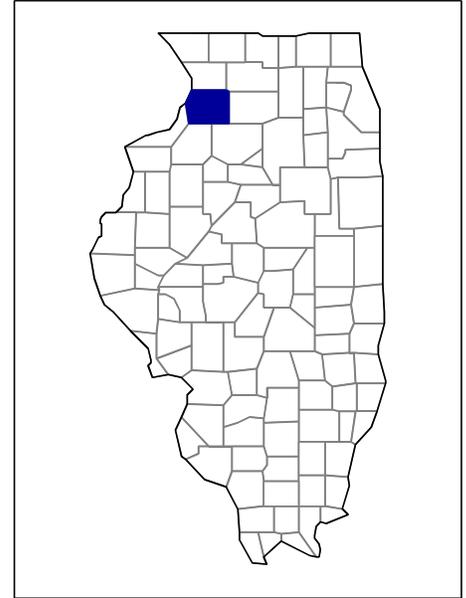


# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Whiteside, Illinois



### Number of farms

1,001 farms in 2002, 1,110 farms in 1997, down 10 percent.

### Land in farms

379,366 acres in 2002, 392,127 acres in 1997, down 3 percent.

### Average size of farm

379 acres in 2002, 353 acres in 1997, up 7 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$144,106,000 in 2002, \$160,477,000 in 1997, down 10 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$96,125,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$47,981,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

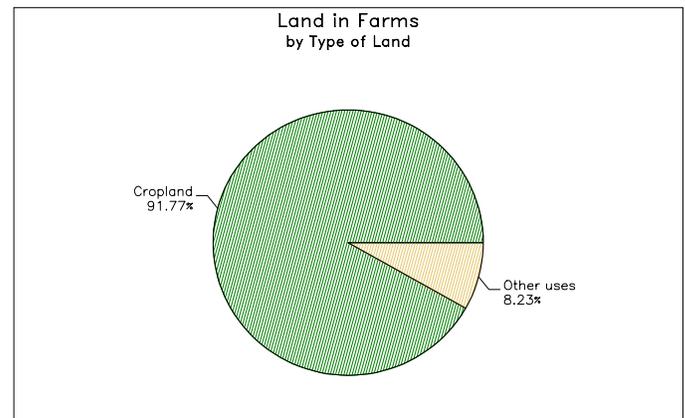
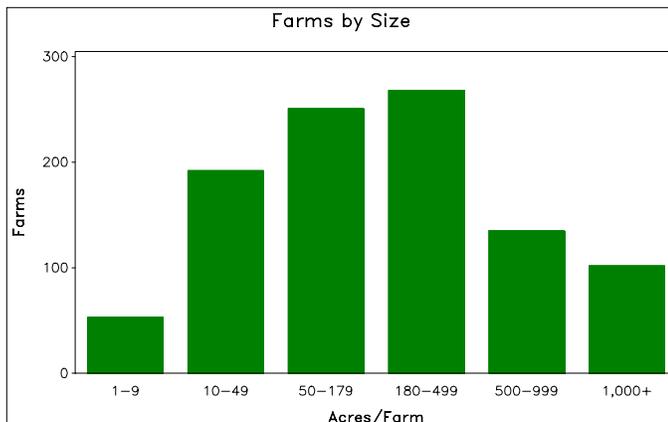
\$143,962 in 2002, \$144,574 in 1997, down slightly.

### Government Payments

\$7,440,000 in 2002, \$8,207,000 in 1997, down 9 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$10,736 in 2002, \$11,895 in 1997, down 10 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 102 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	144,106	10	102	267	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	96,125	14	102	140	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	47,981	8	102	585	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	87,354	14	102	43	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	5,963	7	97	271	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,051	29	92	789	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	554	40	102	1,813	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	34,466	2	102	249	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,913	30	91	1,049	2,493
Hogs and pigs	11,273	27	102	263	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	101	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	93	48	100	1,832	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	50	10	92	1,148	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	61,653	25	102	242	2,926
Cattle and calves	35,550	7	102	900	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	12	101	(D)	2,983
Sheep and lambs	1,051	22	101	939	2,867
Horses and ponies	618	41	102	1,906	3,065
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	186,491	12	102	25	2,592
Soybeans	123,369	32	102	152	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	7,412	34	102	2,023	3,059
All Vegetables harvested	3,684	5	97	178	2,710
Corn for silage	1,896	14	100	784	2,307

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	203	Farming	712
\$1,000 to \$2,499	33	Other	289
\$2,500 to \$4,999	34	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	54	Male	923
\$10,000 to \$19,999	69	Female	78
\$20,000 to \$24,999	11	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	66	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	46	White	1,318
\$50,000 to \$99,999	147	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	186	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	87	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	65	Asian	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	118,263	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	118,500	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	6
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	32,382		
Average per farm (\$)	32,447		

(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.