

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Cass, Iowa

Number of farms

764 farms in 2002, 852 farms in 1997, down 10 percent.

Land in farms

336,625 acres in 2002, 343,530 acres in 1997, down 2 percent.

Average size of farm

441 acres in 2002, 403 acres in 1997, up 9 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$117,112,000 in 2002, \$95,329,000 in 1997, up 23 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$52,395,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$64,717,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

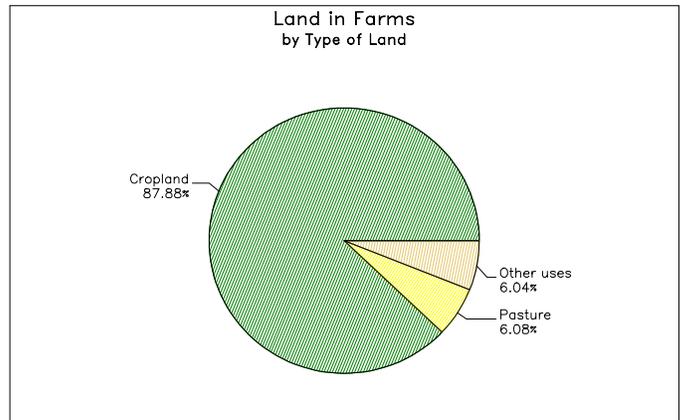
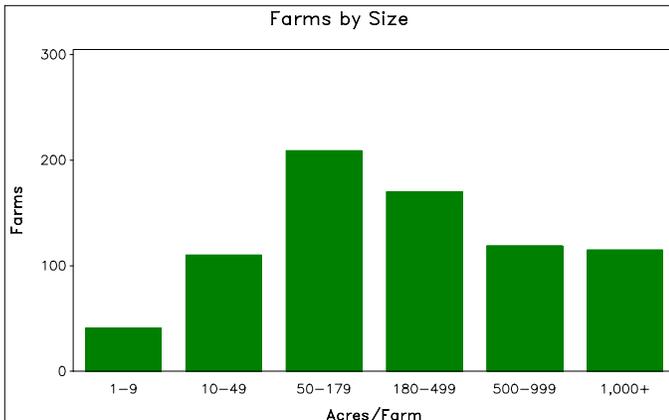
\$153,289 in 2002, \$111,888 in 1997, up 37 percent.

Government Payments

\$4,879,000 in 2002, \$5,031,000 in 1997, down 3 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$8,902 in 2002, \$8,037 in 1997, up 11 percent.



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United States Department of Agriculture, Iowa Agricultural Statistics Service**

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Ranked items among the 99 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	117,112	47	99	389	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	52,395	65	99	453	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	64,717	28	99	400	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	18	77	92	2,355	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	74	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	35,895	13	99	237	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	96	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	13,012	67	99	234	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	182	34	99	472	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	56	76	99	2,287	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	31	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	7	71	94	1,982	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	18	99	(D)	2,983
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	8	97	(D)	2,599
Hogs and pigs	64,364	70	99	232	2,926
Cattle and calves	52,262	19	99	533	3,059
Sheep and lambs	2,200	39	99	511	2,867
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	120,976	50	99	149	2,592
Soybeans	114,470	43	99	188	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	18,230	28	99	1,193	3,059
Corn for silage	2,544	28	99	647	2,307
Oats	1,355	37	99	400	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	164	Farming	551
\$1,000 to \$2,499	32	Other	213
\$2,500 to \$4,999	35		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	38	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	65	Male	729
\$20,000 to \$24,999	25	Female	35
\$25,000 to \$39,999	50		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	28	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	89		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	135	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	58	White	1,033
\$500,000 or more	45	Black or African American	4
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	98,285	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Average per farm (\$)	128,309	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	21,240	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	27,729	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	5

(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.