

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Atchison, Kansas

### Number of farms

619 farms in 2002, 642 farms in 1997, down 4 percent.

### Land in farms

226,807 acres in 2002, 232,748 acres in 1997, down 3 percent.

### Average size of farm

366 acres in 2002, 363 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$32,144,000 in 2002, \$34,484,000 in 1997, down 7 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$15,870,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$16,274,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

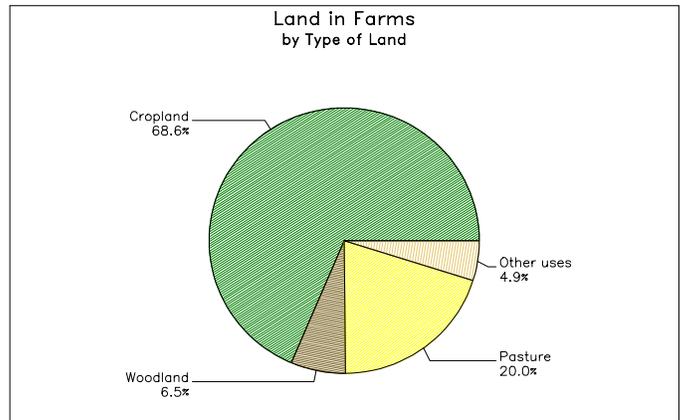
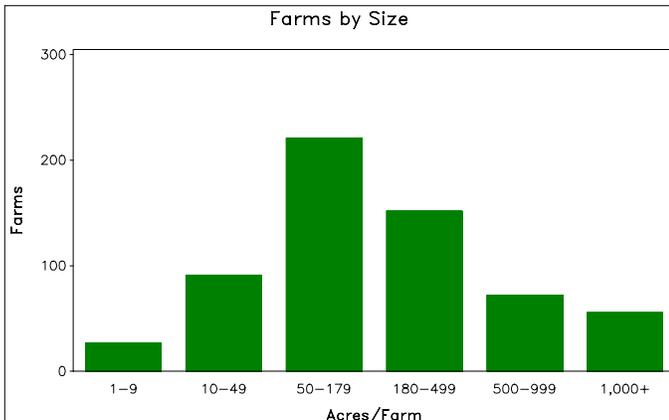
\$51,928 in 2002, \$53,714 in 1997, down 3 percent.

### Government Payments

\$1,869,000 in 2002, \$1,604,000 in 1997, up 17 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,663 in 2002, \$4,876 in 1997, up 16 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 105 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	32,144	83	105	1,635	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	15,870	64	105	1,341	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	16,274	87	105	1,475	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	15,215	59	105	813	2,871
Tobacco	(D)	(D)	5	(D)	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	28	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	4	45	66	2,604	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	52	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	77	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	40	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	506	98	105	1,894	3,046
Poultry and eggs	11	50	100	1,940	2,918
Cattle and calves	13,622	88	105	765	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,175	37	99	1,284	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1,405	38	105	796	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	10	85	105	2,319	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	52	59	105	2,334	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	22	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	87	-	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	29,659	89	105	1,075	3,059
Hogs and pigs	6,084	40	105	855	2,926
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,082	14	105	1,339	2,983
Horses and ponies	441	54	105	2,289	3,065
Sheep and lambs	270	72	103	1,816	2,867
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Soybeans	53,104	17	105	542	2,076
Corn for grain	48,794	17	105	507	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	22,151	68	105	1,012	3,059
All Wheat for grain	7,661	91	105	739	2,517
Sorghum for grain	2,737	96	105	322	1,307

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	116
\$1,000 to \$2,499	32
\$2,500 to \$4,999	62
\$5,000 to \$9,999	87
\$10,000 to \$19,999	98
\$20,000 to \$24,999	30
\$25,000 to \$39,999	46
\$40,000 to \$49,999	16
\$50,000 to \$99,999	53
\$100,000 to \$249,999	55
\$250,000 to \$499,999	19
\$500,000 or more	5
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	30,111
Average per farm (\$)	48,882
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	5,055
Average per farm (\$)	8,207

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	379
Other	240
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	580
Female	39
Average age of principal operator (years)	53.5
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	850
Black or African American	17
American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	1
More than one race	1
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	4

(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.