

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Norton, Kansas

Number of farms

482 farms in 2002, 410 farms in 1997, up 18 percent.

Land in farms

517,477 acres in 2002, 458,497 acres in 1997, up 13 percent.

Average size of farm

1,074 acres in 2002, 1,118 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$54,140,000 in 2002, \$40,725,000 in 1997, up 33 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$14,867,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$39,273,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

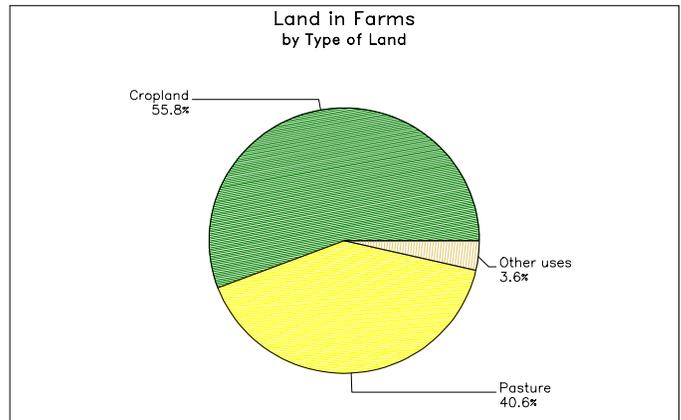
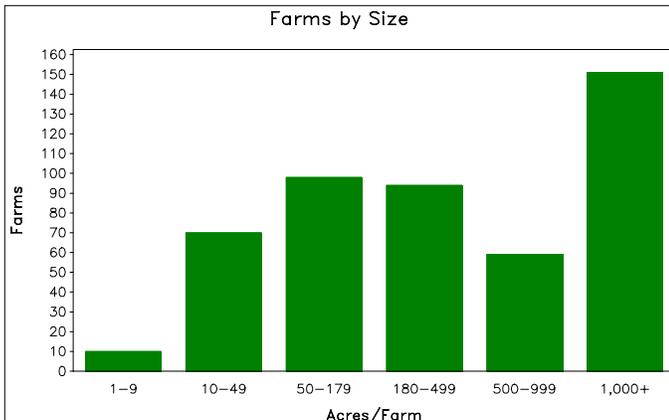
\$112,323 in 2002, \$99,329 in 1997, up 13 percent.

Government Payments

\$3,452,000 in 2002, \$3,268,000 in 1997, up 6 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,862 in 2002, \$10,246 in 1997, down 4 percent.



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Ranked items among the 105 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	54,140	46	105	1,063	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	14,867	70	105	1,388	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	39,273	43	105	734	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	13,854	63	105	853	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	5	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	28	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	66	-	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	-	-	40	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	105	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	100	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	17,291	74	105	607	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	21,458	2	105	145	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	9	86	105	2,327	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	72	44	105	2,086	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	22	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	73,301	7	105	210	2,926
Cattle and calves	36,105	79	105	881	3,059
Horses and ponies	507	47	105	2,142	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	283	64	105	2,286	2,983
Sheep and lambs	222	78	103	1,922	2,867
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Wheat for grain	86,070	43	105	155	2,517
Sorghum for grain	23,310	56	105	100	1,307
Corn for grain	18,242	53	105	843	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	16,542	80	105	1,273	3,059
Corn for silage	7,324	10	104	237	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	140
\$1,000 to \$2,499	24
\$2,500 to \$4,999	24
\$5,000 to \$9,999	35
\$10,000 to \$19,999	30
\$20,000 to \$24,999	18
\$25,000 to \$39,999	39
\$40,000 to \$49,999	20
\$50,000 to \$99,999	66
\$100,000 to \$249,999	48
\$250,000 to \$499,999	25
\$500,000 or more	13
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	52,371
Average per farm (\$)	108,654
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	7,805
Average per farm (\$)	16,193

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	330
Other	152
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	446
Female	36
Average age of principal operator (years)	53.3
All operators ² by race:	
White	624
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	1
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

(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.