

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Owsley, Kentucky

### Number of farms

227 farms in 2002, 260 farms in 1997, down 13 percent.

### Land in farms

32,996 acres in 2002, 31,588 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

### Average size of farm

145 acres in 2002, 121 acres in 1997, up 20 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$1,710,000 in 2002, \$2,769,000 in 1997, down 38 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$1,420,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$289,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

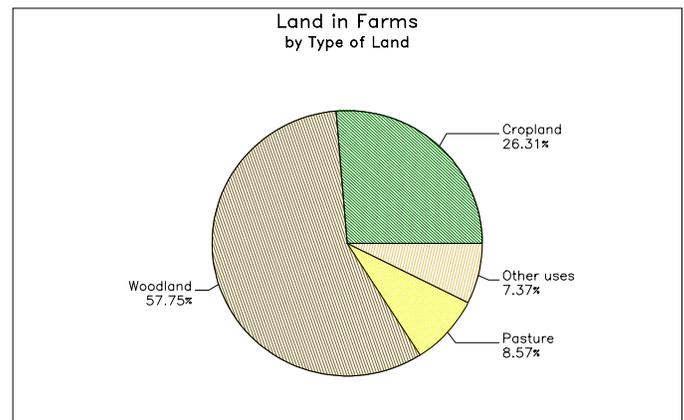
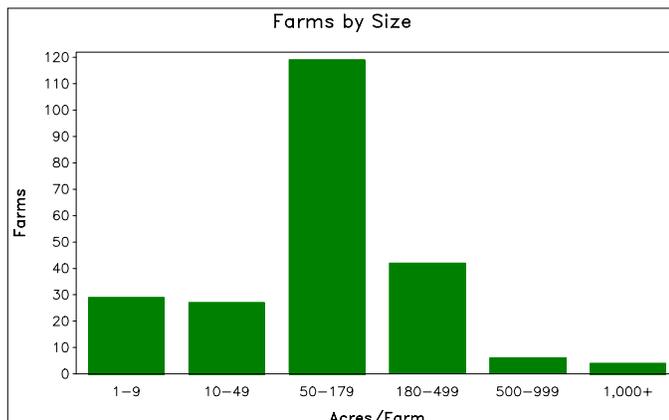
\$7,531 in 2002, \$10,649 in 1997, down 29 percent.

### Government Payments

\$33,000 in 2002, \$12,000 in 1997, up 175 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,502 in 2002, \$1,135 in 1997, up 32 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 120 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	1,710	105	120	2,963	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,420	103	120	2,620	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	289	111	120	2,996	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	117	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	1,348	83	114	233	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	19	96	111	2,336	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	112	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	106	-	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	49	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	38	110	120	2,936	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	115	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	222	109	120	2,900	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	106	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	39	58	111	1,790	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	120	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	23	109	118	2,719	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	100	-	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	1,330	109	120	2,890	3,059
All Goats	201	88	119	1,820	2,971
Horses and ponies	172	110	119	2,867	3,065
Hogs and pigs	137	74	112	2,205	2,926
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	68	68	103	1,974	2,599
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,485	108	120	2,668	3,059
Tobacco	504	79	114	210	563
Corn for grain	133	106	117	2,266	2,592
All Vegetables harvested	12	90	110	2,179	2,710
Chinese cabbage	(D)	2	14	(D)	181

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	46
\$1,000 to \$2,499	61
\$2,500 to \$4,999	38
\$5,000 to \$9,999	35
\$10,000 to \$19,999	25
\$20,000 to \$24,999	4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	10
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	7
\$100,000 to \$249,999	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-
\$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	2,081
Average per farm (\$)	9,089
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-22
Average per farm (\$)	-94

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	116
Other	111
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	197
Female	30
Average age of principal operator (years)	52.2
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	295
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators <sup>2</sup> 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.

<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.