

2002 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

Beauregard, Louisiana

Number of farms

793 farms in 2002, 889 farms in 1997, down 11 percent.

Land in farms

142,911 acres in 2002, 182,993 acres in 1997, down 22 percent.

Average size of farm

180 acres in 2002, 206 acres in 1997, down 13 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$11,381,000 in 2002, \$12,038,000 in 1997, down 5 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,452,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$8,929,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

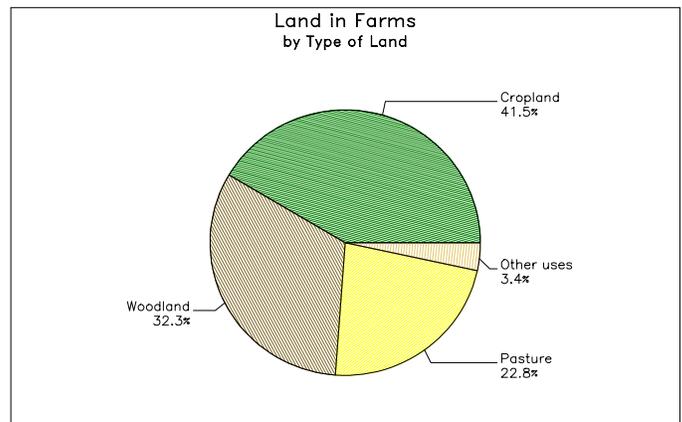
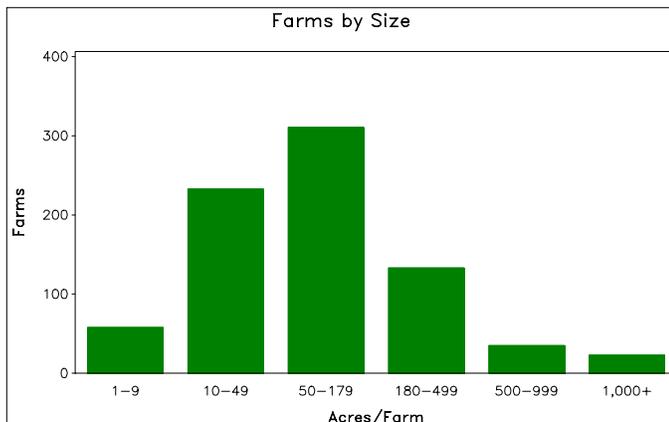
\$14,351 in 2002, \$13,541 in 1997, up 6 percent.

Government Payments

\$815,000 in 2002, \$801,000 in 1997, up 2 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,002 in 2002, \$6,460 in 1997, down 23 percent.



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

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Ranked items among the 64 state parishes 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	11,381	44	64	2,444	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,452	46	64	2,418	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	8,929	16	64	1,966	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,319	29	48	1,700	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	3	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	23	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	151	20	57	1,503	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	28	37	60	1,824	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	157	41	57	1,918	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	378	1	34	151	1,774
Other crops and hay	418	29	63	2,060	3,046
Poultry and eggs	15	29	54	1,831	2,918
Cattle and calves	6,400	6	63	1,322	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,787	5	28	1,077	2,493
Hogs and pigs	11	24	57	2,281	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	35	1	58	1,515	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	180	24	46	458	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	51	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	26,207	10	63	1,186	3,059
Horses and ponies	1,756	7	64	584	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,696	16	58	1,067	2,983
Sheep and lambs	987	1	48	989	2,867
All Goats	827	3	59	593	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,449	7	63	1,480	3,059
Rice	2,652	22	31	89	150
Corn for grain	1,865	18	43	1,588	2,592
Short-rotation woody crops	1,622	3	35	21	1,262
Soybeans	1,570	30	43	1,434	2,076

Other Parish Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	281
\$1,000 to \$2,499	127
\$2,500 to \$4,999	98
\$5,000 to \$9,999	106
\$10,000 to \$19,999	71
\$20,000 to \$24,999	23
\$25,000 to \$39,999	27
\$40,000 to \$49,999	10
\$50,000 to \$99,999	16
\$100,000 to \$249,999	29
\$250,000 to \$499,999	5
\$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	10,600
Average per farm (\$)	13,299
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,743
Average per farm (\$)	2,187

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	356
Other	437
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	722
Female	71
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.8
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,119
Black or African American	15
American Indian or Alaska Native	11
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	4
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	8

(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.