

2002 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

Bossier, Louisiana

Number of farms

456 farms in 2002, 505 farms in 1997, down 10 percent.

Land in farms

107,208 acres in 2002, 122,770 acres in 1997, down 13 percent.

Average size of farm

235 acres in 2002, 243 acres in 1997, down 3 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$9,092,000 in 2002, \$9,627,000 in 1997, down 6 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$3,233,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$5,859,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

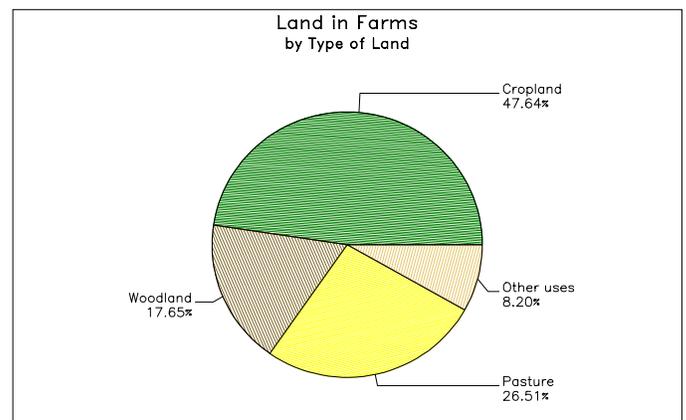
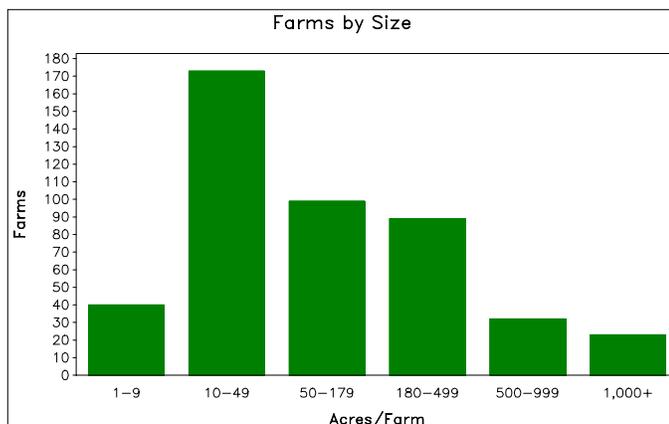
\$19,938 in 2002, \$19,064 in 1997, up 5 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,007,000 in 2002, \$524,000 in 1997, up 92 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$10,826 in 2002, \$6,470 in 1997, up 67 percent.



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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 | 9,092 | 47 | 64 | 2,547 | 3,075 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse | 3,233 | 44 | 64 | 2,307 | 3,070 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products | 5,859 | 25 | 64 | 2,246 | 3,070 |
| VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas | 1,926 | 26 | 48 | 1,579 | 2,871 |
| Tobacco | - | - | 3 | - | 560 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | 676 | 18 | 23 | 390 | 656 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes | 116 | 26 | 57 | 1,644 | 2,747 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries | 146 | 16 | 60 | 1,064 | 2,638 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod | 194 | 40 | 57 | 1,827 | 2,708 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops | - | - | 34 | - | 1,774 |
| Other crops and hay | 175 | 47 | 63 | 2,588 | 3,046 |
| Poultry and eggs | (D) | (D) | 54 | (D) | 2,918 |
| Cattle and calves | 5,275 | 10 | 63 | 1,475 | 3,053 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows | (D) | (D) | 28 | (D) | 2,493 |
| Hogs and pigs | 5 | 33 | 57 | 2,517 | 2,919 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products | 5 | 24 | 58 | 2,591 | 2,997 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys | 306 | 10 | 62 | 716 | 3,014 |
| Aquaculture | (D) | (D) | 46 | (D) | 1,520 |
| Other animals and other animal products | 90 | 13 | 51 | 909 | 2,727 |
| TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves | 19,509 | 18 | 63 | 1,484 | 3,059 |
| Horses and ponies | 1,472 | 10 | 64 | 784 | 3,065 |
| Pheasants | (D) | 1 | 13 | (D) | 1,541 |
| Colonies of bees | 753 | 11 | 42 | 513 | 2,392 |
| Layers 20 weeks old and older | 523 | 28 | 58 | 1,874 | 2,983 |
| TOP CROP ITEMS (acres) | | | | | |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 12,198 | 10 | 63 | 1,575 | 3,059 |
| Soybeans | 6,958 | 21 | 43 | 1,125 | 2,076 |
| All Wheat for grain | 3,121 | 15 | 37 | 1,107 | 2,517 |
| All Cotton | 2,437 | 18 | 23 | 401 | 663 |
| Short-rotation woody crops | 1,014 | 6 | 35 | 39 | 1,262 |

Other Parish Highlights

| Economic Characteristics | Quantity | Operator Characteristics | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales | | Principal operators by primary occupation: | |
| Less than \$1,000 | 165 | Farming | 218 |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499 | 47 | Other | 238 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 71 | Principal operators by sex: | |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 65 | Male | 382 |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 29 | Female | 74 |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999 | 7 | Average age of principal operator (years) | 57.1 |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999 | 18 | All operators ² by race: | |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999 | 6 | White | 524 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 24 | Black or African American | 76 |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 | 17 | American Indian or Alaska Native | 3 |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 | 7 | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 4 |
| \$500,000 or more | - | Asian | 2 |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) | 10,164 | More than one race | 5 |
| Average per farm (\$) | 22,290 | All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin | 1 |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | -1,027 | | |
| Average per farm (\$) | -2,251 | | |

(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.