



# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Washington, Maine

### Number of farms

399 farms in 2002, 529 farms in 1997, down 25 percent.

### Land in farms

152,481 acres in 2002, 105,785 acres in 1997, up 44 percent.

### Average size of farm

382 acres in 2002, 200 acres in 1997, up 91 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$41,314,000 in 2002, \$43,873,000 in 1997, down 6 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$18,089,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$23,226,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

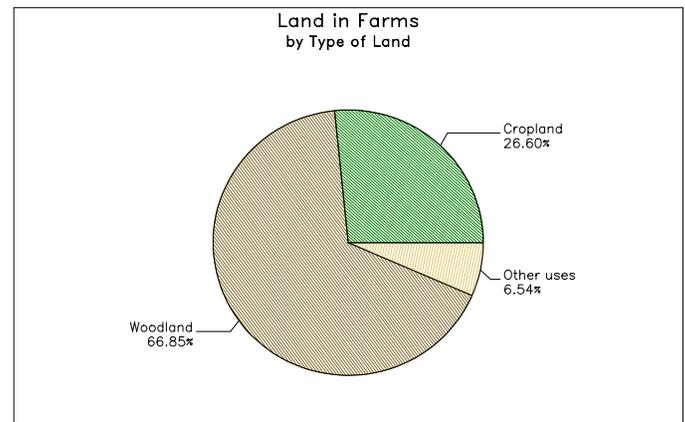
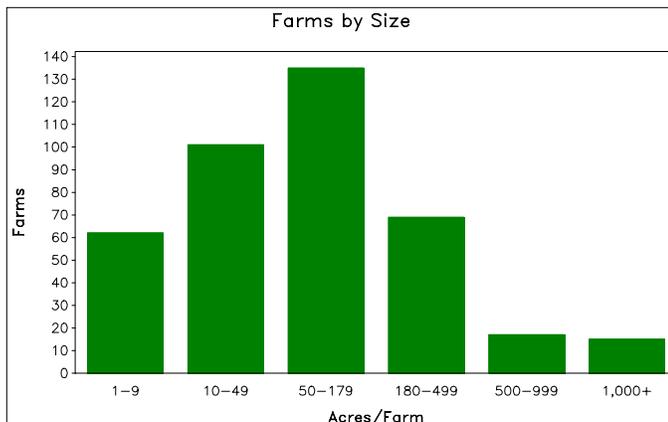
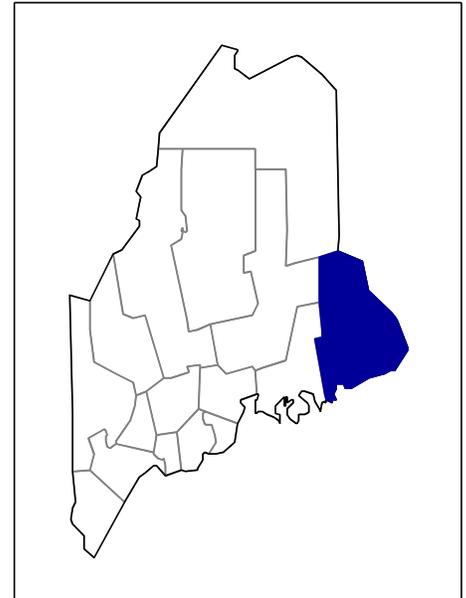
\$103,544 in 2002, \$82,935 in 1997, up 25 percent.

### Government Payments

\$58,000 in 2002, \$58,000 in 1997, unchanged.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,747 in 2002, \$1,987 in 1997, down 12 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 16 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	41,314	3	16	1,393	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	18,089	2	16	1,246	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	23,226	4	16	1,170	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	13	-	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	125	16	16	1,596	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	16	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	398	15	16	1,526	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	16	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	179	14	16	2,571	3,046
Poultry and eggs	13	15	16	1,877	2,918
Cattle and calves	32	16	16	3,014	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	16	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	16	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	22	12	16	1,829	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	29	13	16	2,617	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	15	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	16	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	963	15	16	1,422	2,983
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	578	9	16	1,068	2,599
Sheep and lambs	535	8	16	1,412	2,867
Colonies of bees	346	7	16	714	2,392
Cattle and calves	340	16	16	2,992	3,059
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
All Berries	17,103	1	16	1	2,019
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,575	16	16	2,656	3,059
Cut Christmas trees	86	14	16	652	1,877
All Vegetables harvested	69	14	16	1,444	2,710
Mixed vegetables	(D)	3	15	(D)	382

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	86
\$1,000 to \$2,499	74
\$2,500 to \$4,999	60
\$5,000 to \$9,999	42
\$10,000 to \$19,999	54
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12
\$25,000 to \$39,999	26
\$40,000 to \$49,999	16
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12
\$100,000 to \$249,999	5
\$250,000 to \$499,999	3
\$500,000 or more	9
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	47,502
Average per farm (\$)	118,755
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-513
Average per farm (\$)	-1,282

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	175
Other	224
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	331
Female	68
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.0
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	559
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	5
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
Asian	1
More than one race	4
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	14

(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.