

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Dickinson, Michigan

### Number of farms

146 farms in 2002, 134 farms in 1997, up 9 percent.

### Land in farms

28,658 acres in 2002, 30,010 acres in 1997, down 5 percent.

### Average size of farm

196 acres in 2002, 224 acres in 1997, down 13 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$3,767,000 in 2002, \$3,795,000 in 1997, down 1 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$1,648,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$2,118,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

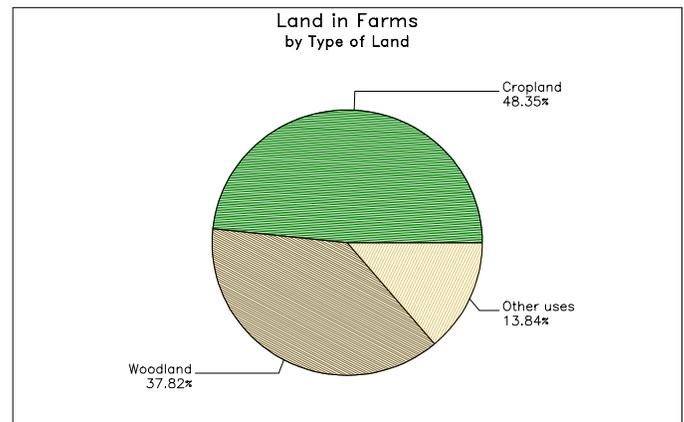
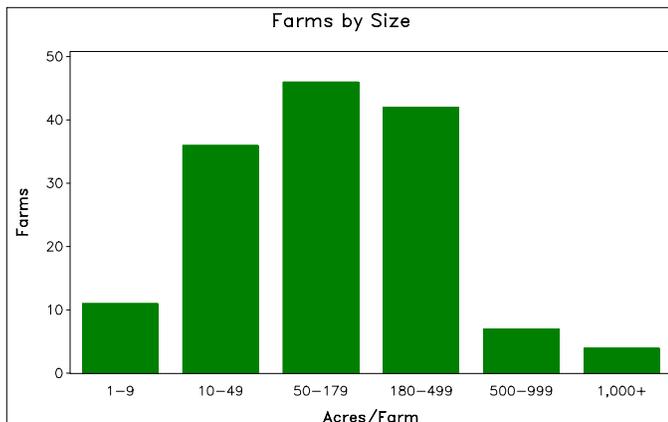
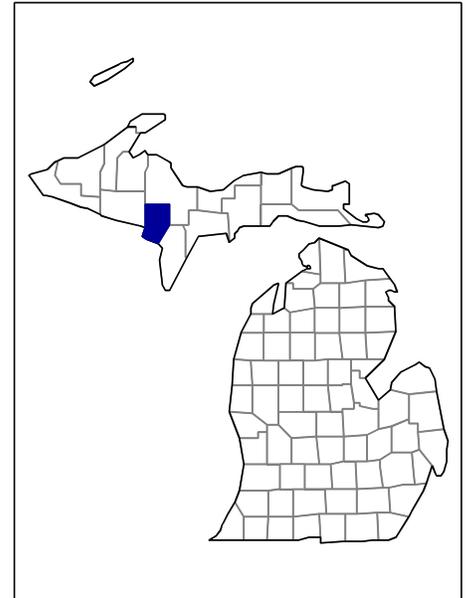
\$25,798 in 2002, \$28,324 in 1997, down 9 percent.

### Government Payments

\$194,000 in 2002, \$106,000 in 1997, up 83 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$6,252 in 2002, \$3,036 in 1997, up 106 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 83 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	3,767	67	83	2,839	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,648	70	83	2,570	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	2,118	65	83	2,694	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	111	66	80	2,359	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	710	50	81	879	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	82	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	81	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	213	22	80	259	1,774
Other crops and hay	254	75	83	2,407	3,046
Poultry and eggs	3	71	80	2,418	2,918
Cattle and calves	301	72	82	2,846	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,671	52	76	1,111	2,493
Hogs and pigs	36	53	79	1,811	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	2	73	81	2,792	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	39	62	82	2,483	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	38	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	67	54	79	1,035	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	2,903	64	83	2,718	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	340	69	81	2,170	2,983
Horses and ponies	339	67	83	2,516	3,065
Hogs and pigs	132	64	78	2,221	2,926
Mink <sup>3</sup>	(D)	(D)	6	(D)	117
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,310	62	83	2,144	3,059
Corn for silage	942	47	79	1,131	2,307
Cut Christmas trees	495	28	82	185	1,877
Potatoes	487	16	72	214	1,551
Oats	403	57	82	956	2,215

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	45	Farming	72
\$1,000 to \$2,499	31	Other	74
\$2,500 to \$4,999	16	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	15	Male	137
\$10,000 to \$19,999	5	Female	9
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	6	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	White	223
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	3,665	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	24,932	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	673		
Average per farm (\$)	4,580		

(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.

<sup>3</sup> Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.