

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Ottawa, Michigan

Number of farms

1,291 farms in 2002, 1,497 farms in 1997, down 14 percent.

Land in farms

165,484 acres in 2002, 181,527 acres in 1997, down 9 percent.

Average size of farm

128 acres in 2002, 121 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$277,503,000 in 2002, \$312,354,000 in 1997, down 11 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$164,805,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$112,698,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

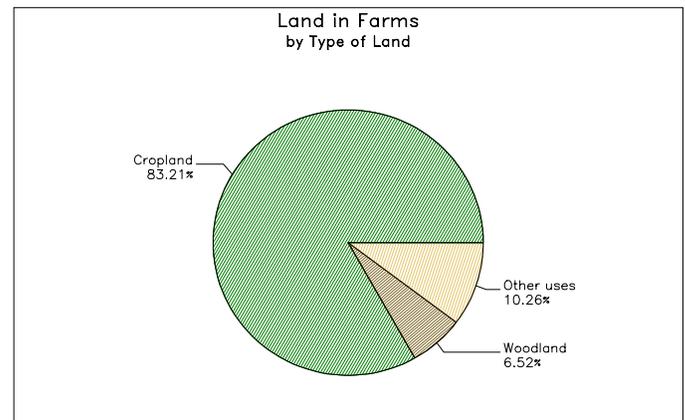
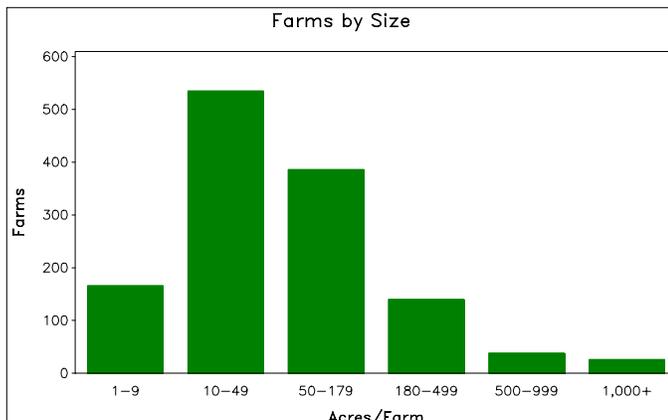
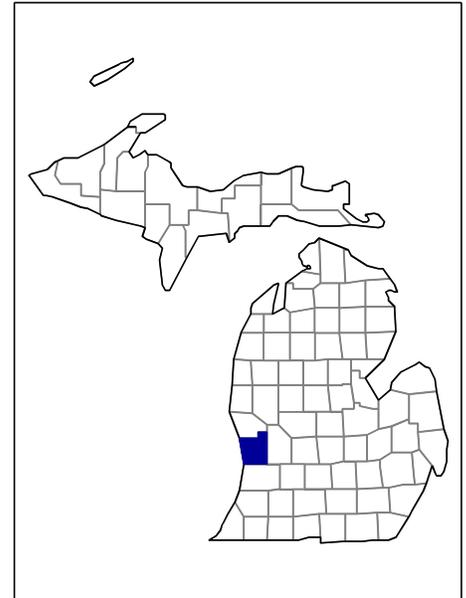
\$214,952 in 2002, \$208,653 in 1997, up 3 percent.

Government Payments

\$3,435,000 in 2002, \$1,907,000 in 1997, up 80 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$11,412 in 2002, \$4,902 in 1997, up 133 percent.



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Ranked items among the 83 state counties 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	277,503	1	83	88	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	164,805	1	83	62	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	112,698	2	83	175	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	14,814	28	80	826	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	10,080	8	81	173	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	25,139	2	82	73	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	112,979	1	81	23	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	218	20	80	252	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,575	30	83	825	3,046
Poultry and eggs	52,773	1	80	126	2,918
Cattle and calves	14,022	4	82	748	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	28,423	7	76	161	2,493
Hogs and pigs	16,885	3	79	183	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	109	15	81	756	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	373	21	82	577	3,014
Aquaculture	4	23	38	1,115	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	109	37	79	824	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,949,851	2	81	41	2,983
Turkeys	591,121	1	75	48	2,328
Hogs and pigs	96,301	3	78	163	2,926
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	3	78	(D)	2,599
Cattle and calves	40,575	5	83	762	3,059
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	41,254	24	80	563	2,592
Soybeans	23,439	31	61	788	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	22,002	19	83	1,018	3,059
Corn for silage	9,328	6	79	169	2,307
Nursery stock	5,511	1	75	8	2,129

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	276	Farming	733
\$1,000 to \$2,499	137	Other	558
\$2,500 to \$4,999	95		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	143	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	127	Male	1,187
\$20,000 to \$24,999	40	Female	104
\$25,000 to \$39,999	71		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	32	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	82		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	118	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	72	White	1,949
\$500,000 or more	98	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	223,281	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
Average per farm (\$)	172,818	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	56,218	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	43,512	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	30

(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.