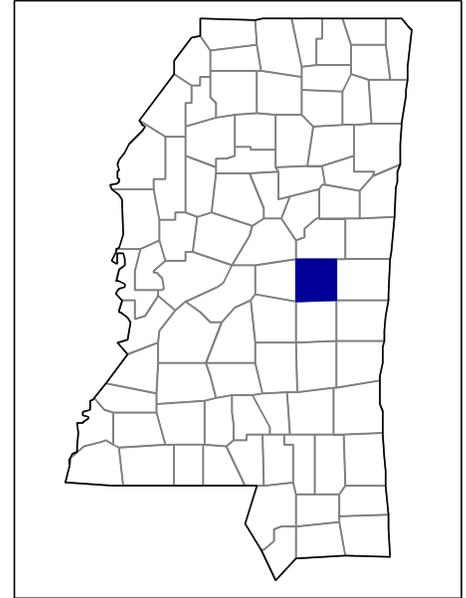




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Number of farms

692 farms in 2002, 807 farms in 1997, down 14 percent.

Land in farms

145,983 acres in 2002, 158,663 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

Average size of farm

211 acres in 2002, 197 acres in 1997, up 7 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$125,468,000 in 2002, \$112,124,000 in 1997, up 12 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$806,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$124,661,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

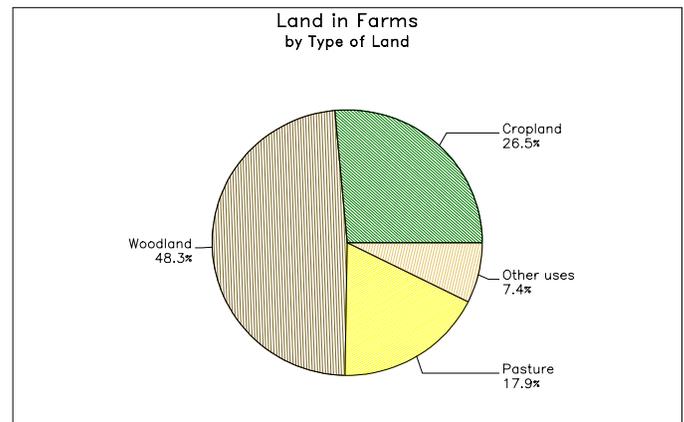
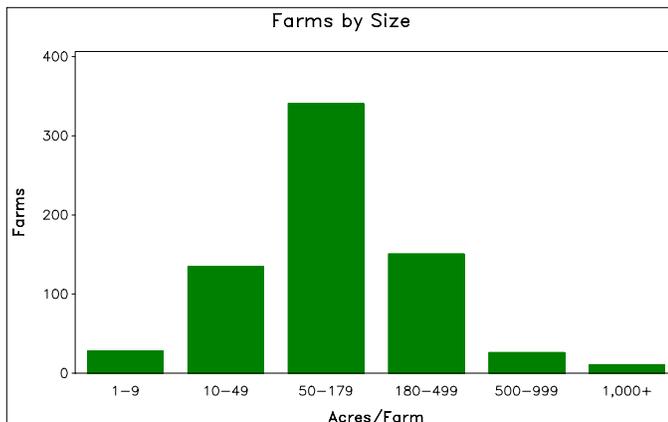
\$181,312 in 2002, \$138,939 in 1997, up 30 percent.

Government Payments

\$186,000 in 2002, \$212,000 in 1997, down 12 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,999 in 2002, \$2,254 in 1997, down 11 percent.



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Ranked items among the 82 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	125,468	5	82	343	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	806	74	82	2,794	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	124,661	5	82	147	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	82	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	61	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	127	40	77	1,588	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	41	54	76	1,672	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	70	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	47	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	441	15	82	2,007	3,046
Poultry and eggs	119,999	4	72	33	2,918
Cattle and calves	3,255	28	81	1,850	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,280	15	62	1,241	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	14	16	77	2,135	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	112	37	78	1,671	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	47	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	61	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	11,810,811	3	63	17	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	120,490	14	77	361	2,983
Cattle and calves	19,726	18	81	1,470	3,059
Horses and ponies	1,158	19	82	1,074	3,065
Quail	436	21	34	525	1,412
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	15,640	3	82	1,337	3,059
Short-rotation woody crops	500	24	68	123	1,262
Corn for grain	280	69	82	2,136	2,592
All Wheat for grain	51	60	69	2,306	2,517
All Vegetables harvested	46	43	77	1,629	2,710

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	230
\$1,000 to \$2,499	88
\$2,500 to \$4,999	66
\$5,000 to \$9,999	53
\$10,000 to \$19,999	50
\$20,000 to \$24,999	17
\$25,000 to \$39,999	10
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11
\$100,000 to \$249,999	26
\$250,000 to \$499,999	52
\$500,000 or more	84
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	90,213
Average per farm (\$)	129,990
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	40,745
Average per farm (\$)	58,710

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	419
Other	273
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	651
Female	41
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.1
All operators ² by race:	
White	872
Black or African American	31
American Indian or Alaska Native	5
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.