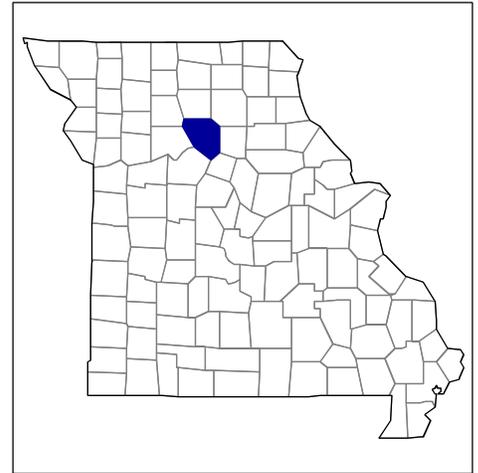




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Number of farms

1,095 farms in 2002, 1,180 farms in 1997, down 7 percent.

Land in farms

378,637 acres in 2002, 427,096 acres in 1997, down 11 percent.

Average size of farm

346 acres in 2002, 362 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$65,944,000 in 2002, \$85,939,000 in 1997, down 23 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$38,613,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$27,331,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

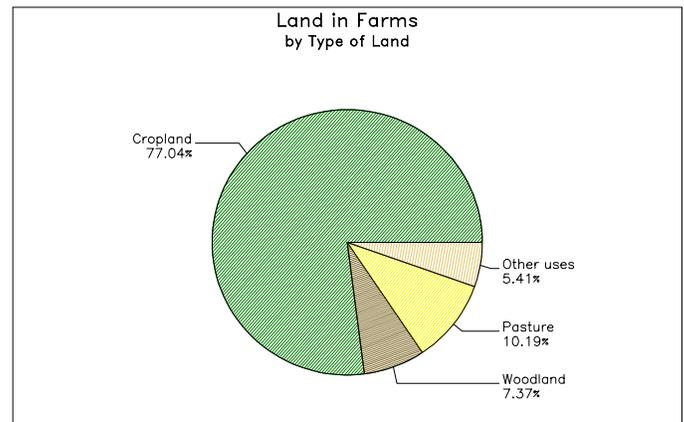
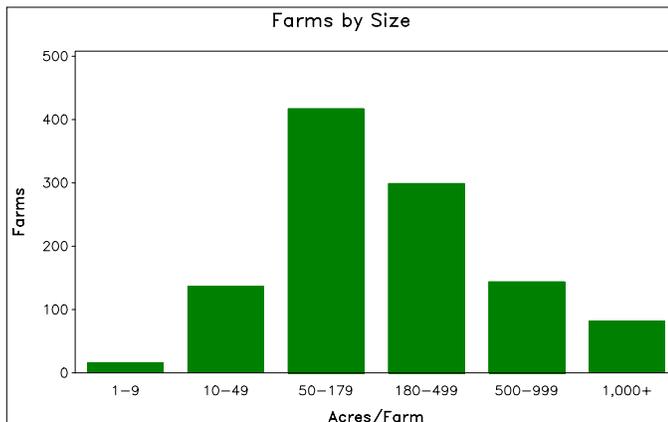
\$60,223 in 2002, \$72,829 in 1997, down 17 percent.

Government Payments

\$4,105,000 in 2002, \$4,440,000 in 1997, down 8 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$6,037 in 2002, \$6,065 in 1997, down slightly.



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Ranked items among the 114 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	65,944	24	114	873	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	38,613	15	114	665	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	27,331	35	114	1,011	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	36,177	14	112	390	2,871
Tobacco	323	4	20	345	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	8	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	355	13	104	1,122	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	413	12	105	605	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	214	51	108	1,778	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	61	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,130	50	114	1,130	3,046
Poultry and eggs	11	74	114	1,954	2,918
Cattle and calves	23,890	5	114	404	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	494	75	109	1,668	2,493
Hogs and pigs	2,784	44	112	627	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	33	57	113	1,565	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	74	95	113	2,045	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	46	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	44	29	107	1,191	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	41,145	47	114	747	3,059
Hogs and pigs	13,193	44	112	636	2,926
Horses and ponies	509	100	114	2,138	3,065
Sheep and lambs	506	57	109	1,449	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	282	104	113	2,289	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	112,000	11	103	201	2,076
Corn for grain	59,716	10	107	424	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	31,598	59	114	677	3,059
All Wheat for grain	13,741	18	111	535	2,517
Pecans	1,274	2	73	118	1,194

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	242	Farming	684
\$1,000 to \$2,499	55	Other	411
\$2,500 to \$4,999	77		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	150	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	138	Male	977
\$20,000 to \$24,999	47	Female	118
\$25,000 to \$39,999	90		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	61	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	84		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	96	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	38	White	1,534
\$500,000 or more	17	Black or African American	11
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	50,951	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	46,658	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2
		Asian	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	20,317	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	18,606	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	17

(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.