

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Sheridan, Nebraska

Number of farms

613 farms in 2002, 686 farms in 1997, down 11 percent.

Land in farms

1,485,895 acres in 2002, 1,468,046 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

Average size of farm

2,424 acres in 2002, 2,140 acres in 1997, up 13 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$70,391,000 in 2002, \$65,547,000 in 1997, up 7 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$18,109,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$52,282,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

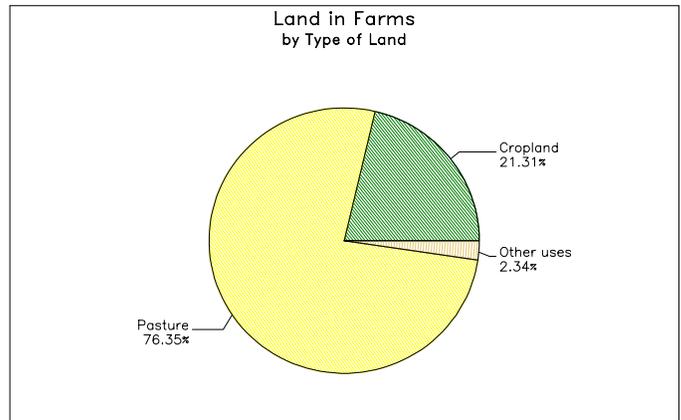
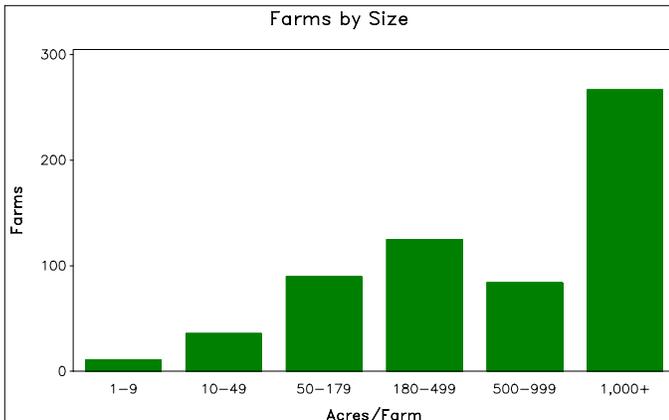
\$114,830 in 2002, \$95,550 in 1997, up 20 percent.

Government Payments

\$3,197,000 in 2002, \$3,245,000 in 1997, down 1 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$8,955 in 2002, \$7,935 in 1997, up 13 percent.



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Ranked items among the 93 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	70,391	56	93	796	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	18,109	66	93	1,245	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	52,282	47	93	527	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	13,097	70	91	884	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	40	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	68	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	31	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	3,311	14	93	371	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(Z)	81	91	2,790	2,918
Cattle and calves	51,174	41	93	145	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	73	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	631	66	91	988	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	157	12	89	554	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	229	10	93	987	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	24	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	91	28	74	900	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	114,169	11	93	93	3,059
Hogs and pigs	3,353	66	90	992	2,926
Bison	2,120	3	58	22	1,321
Sheep and lambs	2,022	13	90	552	2,867
Horses and ponies	1,440	7	93	807	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	86,565	7	93	67	3,059
All Wheat for grain	35,846	15	84	312	2,517
Corn for grain	18,465	73	93	836	2,592
Dry edible beans, excluding limas	9,487	5	26	42	571
Corn for silage	4,066	44	92	441	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	126
\$1,000 to \$2,499	10
\$2,500 to \$4,999	32
\$5,000 to \$9,999	32
\$10,000 to \$19,999	70
\$20,000 to \$24,999	24
\$25,000 to \$39,999	45
\$40,000 to \$49,999	20
\$50,000 to \$99,999	77
\$100,000 to \$249,999	105
\$250,000 to \$499,999	39
\$500,000 or more	33
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	60,509
Average per farm (\$)	97,754
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	16,910
Average per farm (\$)	27,318

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	463
Other	150
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	535
Female	78
Average age of principal operator (years)	58.1
All operators ² by race:	
White	906
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	7
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	1
More than one race	2
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	9

(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.