

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Dauphin, Pennsylvania

### Number of farms

852 farms in 2002, 857 farms in 1997, down 1 percent.

### Land in farms

94,983 acres in 2002, 98,598 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

### Average size of farm

111 acres in 2002, 115 acres in 1997, down 3 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$46,487,000 in 2002, \$57,997,000 in 1997, down 20 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$9,851,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$36,636,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

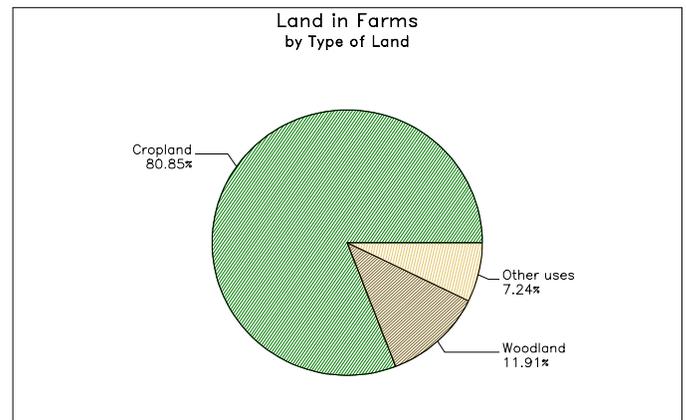
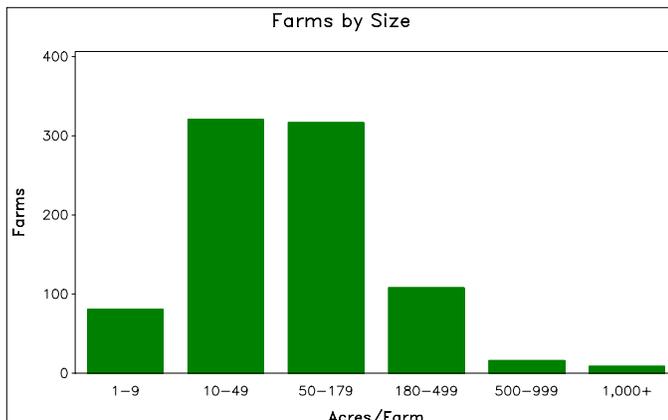
\$54,562 in 2002, \$67,674 in 1997, down 19 percent.

### Government Payments

\$948,000 in 2002, \$723,000 in 1997, up 31 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$4,493 in 2002, \$3,562 in 1997, up 26 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 67 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	46,487	28	67	1,249	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	9,851	28	67	1,670	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	36,636	25	66	798	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	4,493	16	65	1,276	2,871
Tobacco	29	11	19	452	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,217	32	67	700	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	843	22	66	395	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,197	44	66	1,021	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	66	50	66	554	1,774
Other crops and hay	2,007	18	66	638	3,046
Poultry and eggs	14,248	13	66	369	2,918
Cattle and calves	5,957	20	66	1,386	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	15,100	28	65	279	2,493
Hogs and pigs	726	27	66	949	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	261	9	66	334	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	209	20	65	1,075	3,014
Aquaculture	69	24	60	649	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	65	43	66	1,052	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	678,007	10	67	128	2,983
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	427,182	11	64	401	2,599
Turkeys	63,943	16	61	199	2,328
Cattle and calves	16,622	36	66	1,640	3,059
Quail	(D)	3	51	(D)	1,412
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	22,449	35	66	1,000	3,059
Corn for grain	12,505	24	66	967	2,592
Soybeans	11,229	11	58	1,004	2,076
Corn for silage	7,444	21	65	232	2,307
All Wheat for grain	5,354	9	60	892	2,517

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	297	Farming	459
\$1,000 to \$2,499	103	Other	393
\$2,500 to \$4,999	87	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	63	Male	737
\$10,000 to \$19,999	67	Female	115
\$20,000 to \$24,999	27	Average age of principal operator (years)	52.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	31	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	10	White	1,185
\$50,000 to \$99,999	52	Black or African American	9
\$100,000 to \$249,999	68	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	30	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	17	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	41,845	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	49,404	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	7,071		
Average per farm (\$)	8,348		

(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.