

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Shelby, Tennessee

Number of farms

716 farms in 2002, 903 farms in 1997, down 21 percent.

Land in farms

115,917 acres in 2002, 141,630 acres in 1997, down 18 percent.

Average size of farm

162 acres in 2002, 157 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$23,731,000 in 2002, \$29,891,000 in 1997, down 21 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$21,895,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$1,835,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

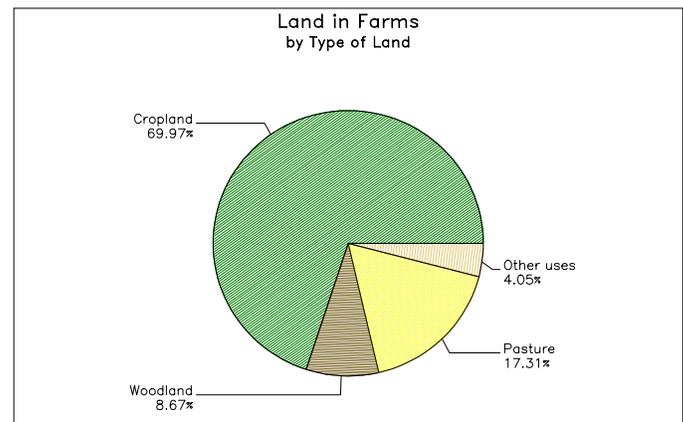
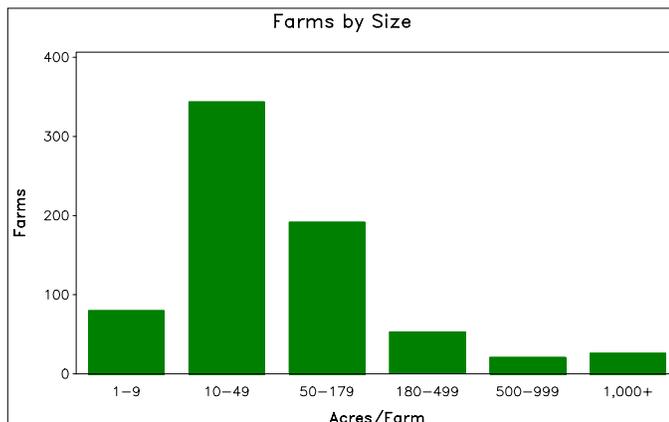
\$33,143 in 2002, \$33,101 in 1997, up slightly.

Government Payments

\$964,000 in 2002, \$1,164,000 in 1997, down 17 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,179 in 2002, \$5,848 in 1997, up 57 percent.



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United States Department of Agriculture, Tennessee Agricultural Statistics Service**

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Ranked items among the 95 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	23,731	36	95	1,935	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	21,895	16	95	1,097	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,835	86	95	2,741	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	5,523	18	94	1,200	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	69	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	6,463	10	24	147	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	268	35	92	1,231	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	9,006	7	94	287	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	50	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	427	45	95	2,044	3,046
Poultry and eggs	6	74	93	2,157	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,192	91	95	2,476	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	7	73	73	2,454	2,493
Hogs and pigs	43	48	93	1,754	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	20	49	94	1,905	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	420	31	94	500	3,014
Aquaculture	12	27	52	943	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	135	8	89	745	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	6,195	89	95	2,406	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,344	18	95	362	3,065
All Goats	799	45	94	628	2,971
Layers 20 weeks old and older	570	62	94	1,795	2,983
Hogs and pigs	340	51	93	1,798	2,926
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	24,527	14	81	776	2,076
All Cotton	17,856	10	24	188	663
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,180	76	95	1,862	3,059
Corn for grain	6,026	24	94	1,205	2,592
All Wheat for grain	5,762	13	81	859	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	263	Farming	337
\$1,000 to \$2,499	152	Other	379
\$2,500 to \$4,999	103		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	71	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	55	Male	610
\$20,000 to \$24,999	4	Female	106
\$25,000 to \$39,999	16		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	18	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	7	White	926
\$500,000 or more	14	Black or African American	44
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	22,308	American Indian or Alaska Native	8
Average per farm (\$)	31,464	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	5,707	More than one race	9
Average per farm (\$)	8,050	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	15

(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.