

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Yakima, Washington

### Number of farms

3,730 farms in 2002, 4,377 farms in 1997, down 15 percent.

### Land in farms

1,678,984 acres in 2002, 1,718,596 acres in 1997, down 2 percent.

### Average size of farm

450 acres in 2002, 393 acres in 1997, up 15 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$843,871,000 in 2002, \$897,101,000 in 1997, down 6 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$508,254,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$335,617,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

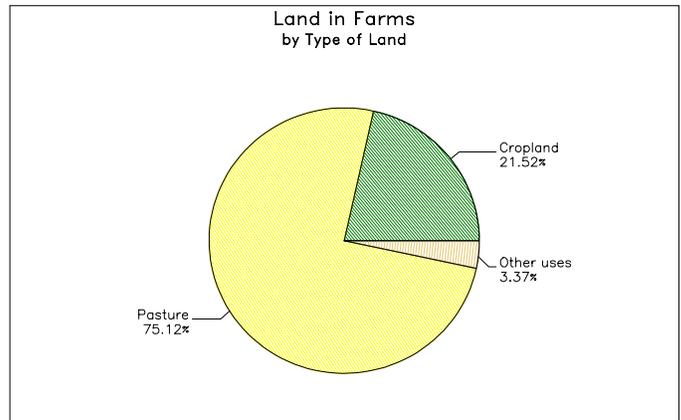
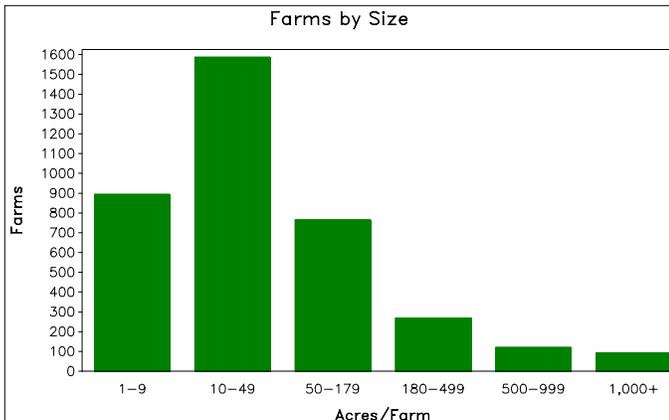
\$226,239 in 2002, \$204,958 in 1997, up 10 percent.

### Government Payments

\$10,501,000 in 2002, \$4,082,000 in 1997, up 157 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$14,287 in 2002, \$10,914 in 1997, up 31 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 39 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	843,871	2	39	14	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	508,254	2	39	17	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	335,617	1	39	29	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	19,091	10	34	698	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	35,952	7	36	61	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	356,709	1	39	10	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	36	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	31	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	86,740	2	39	4	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	39	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	150,855	2	39	40	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	179,875	1	34	13	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	38	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	1,191	1	38	83	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	947	5	39	147	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	35	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	601	8	37	225	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	230,275	1	39	24	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	8	39	(D)	2,983
Colonies of bees	17,937	1	33	17	2,392
Sheep and lambs	10,786	1	39	117	2,867
Horses and ponies	5,616	2	39	31	3,065
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	54,413	6	39	248	3,059
Apples	54,036	1	38	1	2,173
All Wheat for grain	25,415	14	26	400	2,517
Grapes	23,152	1	35	11	1,830
Hops	16,813	1	2	1	9

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	661	Farming	2,340
\$1,000 to \$2,499	388	Other	1,390
\$2,500 to \$4,999	308		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	322	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	310	Male	3,391
\$20,000 to \$24,999	121	Female	339
\$25,000 to \$39,999	261		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	137	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	364		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	382	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	200	White	5,206
\$500,000 or more	276	Black or African American	10
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	725,281	American Indian or Alaska Native	137
Average per farm (\$)	193,666	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	5
		Asian	71
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	150,974	More than one race	43
Average per farm (\$)	40,313	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	576

(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.