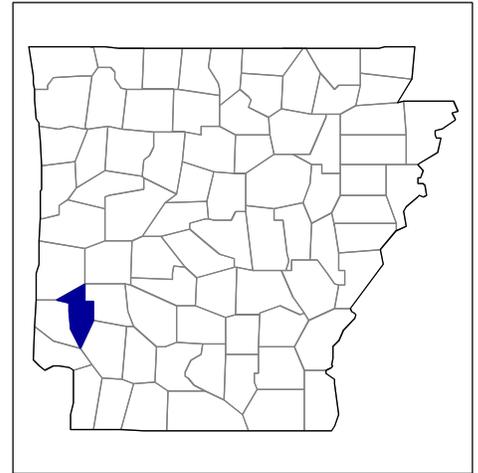


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Number of farms

642 farms in 2002, 704 farms in 1997, down 9 percent.

Land in farms

109,815 acres in 2002, 108,559 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

Average size of farm

171 acres in 2002, 154 acres in 1997, up 11 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$134,729,000 in 2002, \$132,405,000 in 1997, up 2 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$854,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$133,875,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

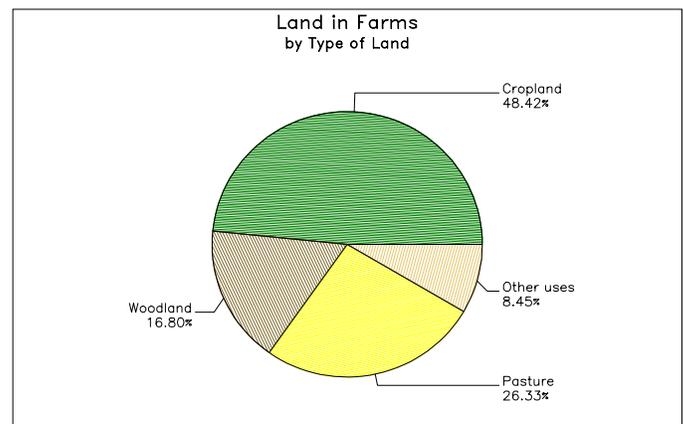
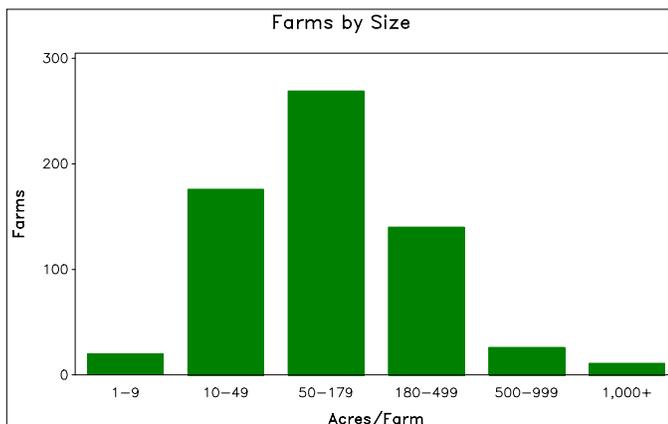
\$209,858 in 2002, \$188,075 in 1997, up 12 percent.

Government Payments

\$43,000 in 2002, \$154,000 in 1997, down 72 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,338 in 2002, \$3,029 in 1997, down 56 percent.



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Ranked items among the 75 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	134,729	6	75	302	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	854	57	75	2,778	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	133,875	5	75	121	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	55	-	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	25	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	71	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	70	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	63	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	23	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	444	30	75	1,999	3,046
Poultry and eggs	102,011	5	69	48	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	75	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	128	40	48	2,089	2,493
Hogs and pigs	16,568	1	69	188	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	5	44	70	2,561	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	132	35	74	1,510	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	45	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	64	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	7,645,202	7	63	45	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	557,520	5	72	154	2,983
Cattle and calves	44,646	13	75	672	3,059
Hogs and pigs	35,758	3	72	361	2,926
Rabbits	(D)	7	46	(D)	1,966
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	22,781	24	75	987	3,059
Peaches	(D)	7	51	(D)	1,773
All Berries	(D)	14	51	(D)	2,019
Pecans ³	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	1,194
Grapes ³	(D)	(D)	41	(D)	1,830

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	60	Farming	423
\$1,000 to \$2,499	51	Other	219
\$2,500 to \$4,999	60	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	70	Male	551
\$10,000 to \$19,999	56	Female	91
\$20,000 to \$24,999	20	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	22	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	White	905
\$50,000 to \$99,999	31	Black or African American	36
\$100,000 to \$249,999	85	American Indian or Alaska Native	8
\$250,000 to \$499,999	110	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	69	Asian	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	95,260	More than one race	8
Average per farm (\$)	147,689	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	28
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	38,686		
Average per farm (\$)	59,978		

(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.

³ Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.