



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Prairie, Arkansas



Number of farms

431 farms in 2002, 454 farms in 1997, down 5 percent.

Land in farms

307,806 acres in 2002, 309,310 acres in 1997, down slightly.

Average size of farm

714 acres in 2002, 681 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$63,968,000 in 2002, \$91,276,000 in 1997, down 30 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$55,867,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$8,101,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

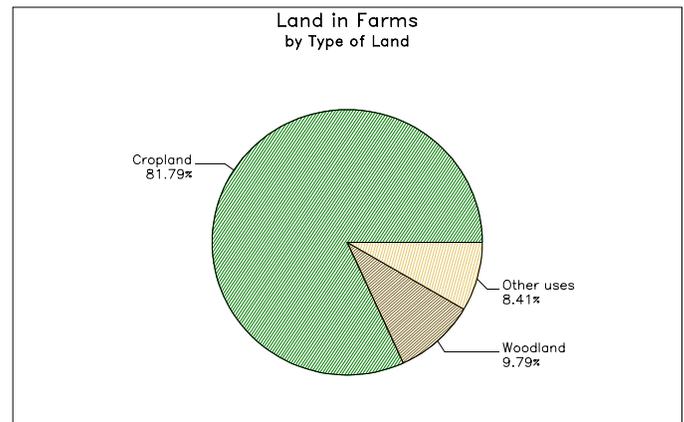
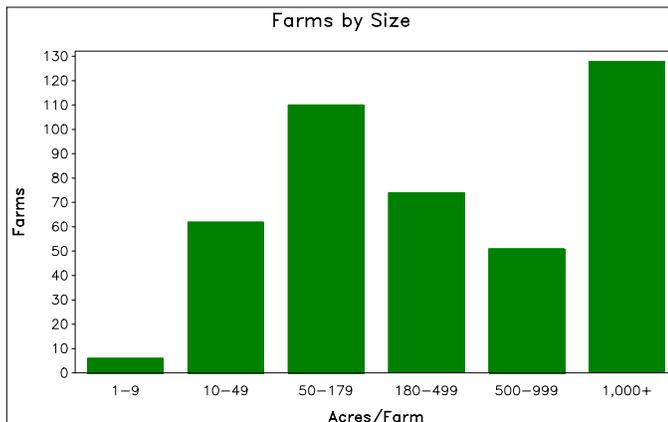
\$148,419 in 2002, \$201,048 in 1997, down 26 percent.

Government Payments

\$7,917,000 in 2002, \$5,700,000 in 1997, up 39 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$31,922 in 2002, \$17,814 in 1997, up 79 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	63,968	33	75	899	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	55,867	14	75	409	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	8,101	50	75	2,039	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	55,113	5	55	188	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	25	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	71	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	11	62	70	2,170	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	217	49	75	2,487	3,046
Poultry and eggs	12	60	69	1,911	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,012	59	75	2,548	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	48	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	69	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	3	51	70	2,774	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	14	66	74	2,851	3,014
Aquaculture	6,150	5	45	46	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	13	40	64	1,703	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	5,005	59	75	2,523	3,059
Quail	1,260	9	28	339	1,412
Hogs and pigs	(D)	28	72	(D)	2,926
All Goats	263	34	74	1,602	2,971
Horses and ponies	178	69	75	2,857	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	129,240	10	46	122	2,076
Rice	72,390	8	38	16	150
All Wheat for grain	32,785	10	51	337	2,517
Sorghum for grain	6,172	11	43	229	1,307
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,139	55	75	2,159	3,059

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	105	Farming	310
\$1,000 to \$2,499	30	Other	121
\$2,500 to \$4,999	21		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	36	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	25	Male	393
\$20,000 to \$24,999	9	Female	38
\$25,000 to \$39,999	17		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	32		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	59	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	56	White	588
\$500,000 or more	37	Black or African American	4
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	51,411	American Indian or Alaska Native	17
Average per farm (\$)	119,839	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	21,212	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	49,445	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	5

(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.