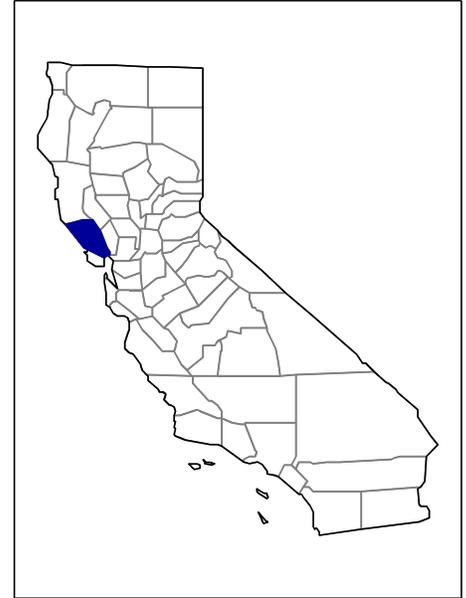


# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Sonoma, California



### Number of farms

3,447 farms in 2002, 3,156 farms in 1997, up 9 percent.

### Land in farms

627,227 acres in 2002, 607,177 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

### Average size of farm

182 acres in 2002, 192 acres in 1997, down 5 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$571,710,000 in 2002, \$462,973,000 in 1997, up 23 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$432,060,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$139,649,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

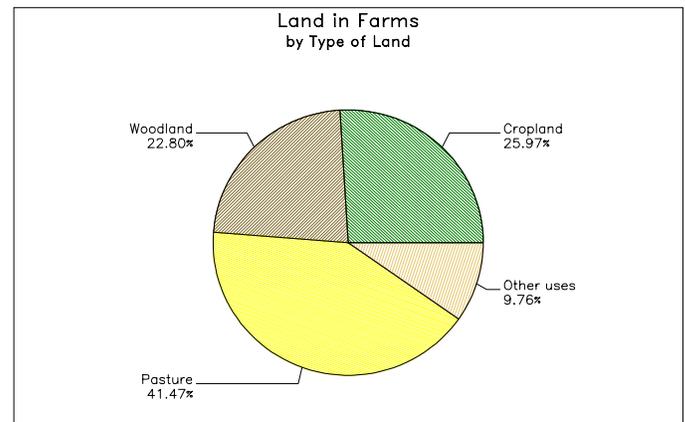
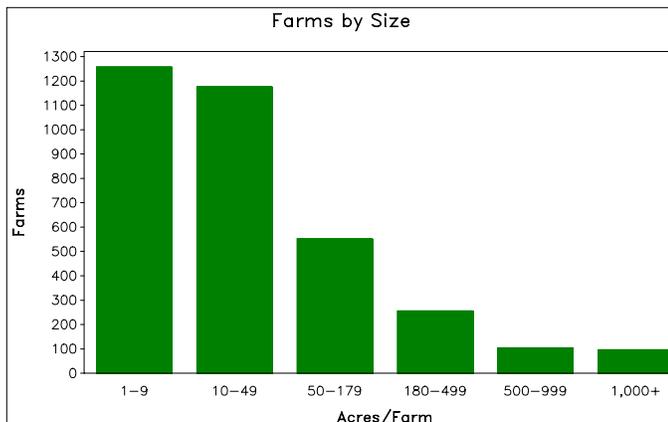
\$165,857 in 2002, \$146,696 in 1997, up 13 percent.

### Government Payments

\$1,897,000 in 2002, \$257,000 in 1997, up 638 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$11,564 in 2002, \$5,037 in 1997, up 130 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 58 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	571,710	16	58	32	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	432,060	14	58	19	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	139,649	12	58	113	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	729	29	48	1,873	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	17	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	6,062	31	56	266	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	365,967	9	55	9	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	56,570	17	55	52	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	744	4	43	67	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,988	27	57	645	3,046
Poultry and eggs	42,501	7	56	163	2,918
Cattle and calves	13,045	22	57	800	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	77,348	11	47	42	2,493
Hogs and pigs	464	7	53	1,062	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	4,574	4	56	11	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	996	10	56	131	3,014
Aquaculture	307	25	51	353	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	415	27	54	335	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,126,374	8	56	92	2,983
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	6	50	(D)	2,599
Ducks	(D)	2	51	(D)	2,630
Cattle and calves	81,598	13	57	218	3,059
Sheep and lambs	25,368	7	57	42	2,867
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Grapes	59,169	6	52	6	1,830
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	19,062	21	57	1,148	3,059
Apples	3,724	4	53	23	2,173
Short-rotation woody crops	2,938	1	40	11	1,262
Oats	2,176	5	39	224	2,215

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	773
\$1,000 to \$2,499	318
\$2,500 to \$4,999	308
\$5,000 to \$9,999	329
\$10,000 to \$19,999	363
\$20,000 to \$24,999	85
\$25,000 to \$39,999	236
\$40,000 to \$49,999	89
\$50,000 to \$99,999	286
\$100,000 to \$249,999	285
\$250,000 to \$499,999	152
\$500,000 or more	223
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	451,134
Average per farm (\$)	130,839
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	136,713
Average per farm (\$)	39,650

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	1,916
Other	1,531
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	2,800
Female	647
Average age of principal operator (years)	57.0
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	5,194
Black or African American	21
American Indian or Alaska Native	29
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	23
Asian	58
More than one race	41
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	351

(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.