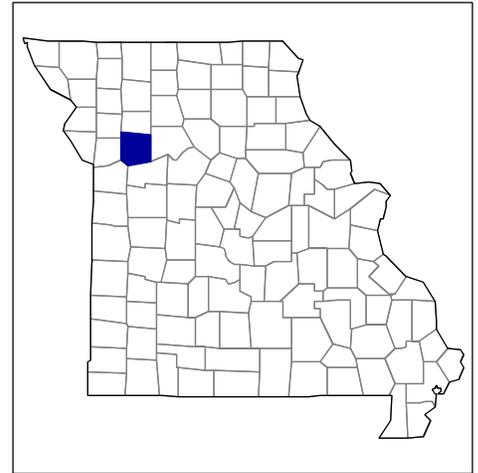




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Number of farms

1,231 farms in 2002, 1,222 farms in 1997, up 1 percent.

Land in farms

292,067 acres in 2002, 293,482 acres in 1997, down slightly.

Average size of farm

237 acres in 2002, 240 acres in 1997, down 1 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$35,083,000 in 2002, \$40,772,000 in 1997, down 14 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$21,275,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$13,808,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

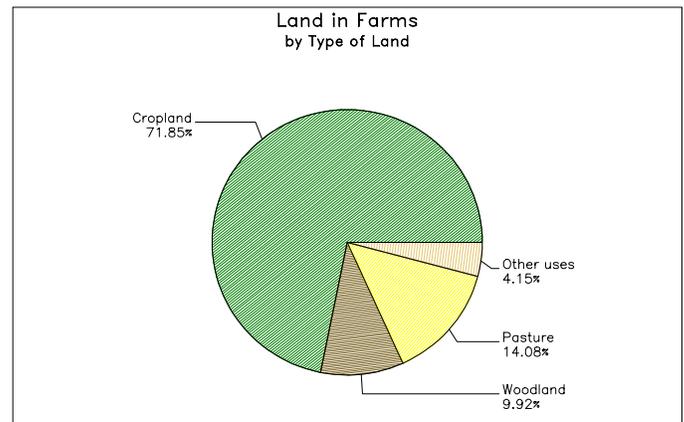
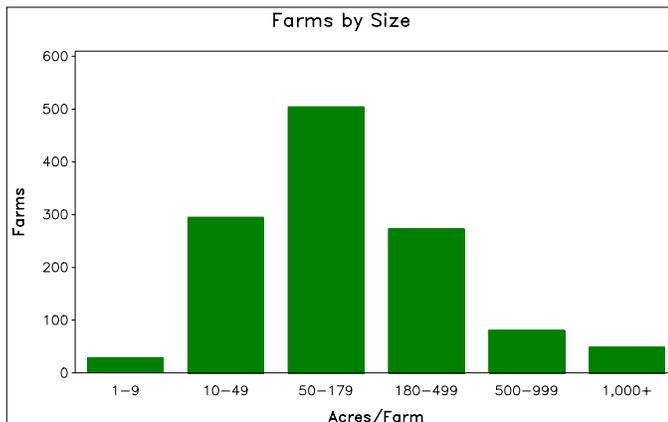
\$28,499 in 2002, \$33,365 in 1997, down 15 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,766,000 in 2002, \$2,372,000 in 1997, up 17 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$4,956 in 2002, \$4,401 in 1997, up 13 percent.



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Ranked items among the 114 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	35,083	62	114	1,562	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	21,275	36	114	1,123	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	13,808	70	114	1,608	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	20,046	28	112	675	2,871
Tobacco	(D)	(D)	20	(D)	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	8	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	371	12	104	1,100	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	27	75	105	1,842	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	108	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	61	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	794	78	114	1,478	3,046
Poultry and eggs	1,746	26	114	850	2,918
Cattle and calves	9,749	61	114	1,011	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	496	74	109	1,665	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1,633	59	112	767	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	11	90	113	2,218	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	95	81	113	1,807	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	46	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	77	18	107	971	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	36,053	55	114	884	3,059
Hogs and pigs	8,035	55	112	782	2,926
Quail	(D)	7	57	(D)	1,412
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,595	36	113	1,097	2,983
Horses and ponies	1,361	36	114	880	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	79,977	20	103	369	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	36,771	50	114	557	3,059
Corn for grain	32,839	34	107	631	2,592
All Wheat for grain	6,705	40	111	801	2,517
Corn for silage	1,295	15	101	973	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	337
\$1,000 to \$2,499	166
\$2,500 to \$4,999	140
\$5,000 to \$9,999	181
\$10,000 to \$19,999	143
\$20,000 to \$24,999	46
\$25,000 to \$39,999	58
\$40,000 to \$49,999	14
\$50,000 to \$99,999	67
\$100,000 to \$249,999	45
\$250,000 to \$499,999	27
\$500,000 or more	7
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	34,977
Average per farm (\$)	28,436
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,636
Average per farm (\$)	3,769

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	650
Other	581
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,084
Female	147
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.7
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,749
Black or African American	6
American Indian or Alaska Native	5
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	9
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	4

(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.