

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Perkins, Nebraska

### Number of farms

438 farms in 2002, 534 farms in 1997, down 18 percent.

### Land in farms

548,264 acres in 2002, 595,264 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

### Average size of farm

1,252 acres in 2002, 1,115 acres in 1997, up 12 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$83,285,000 in 2002, \$69,062,000 in 1997, up 21 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$56,825,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$26,460,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

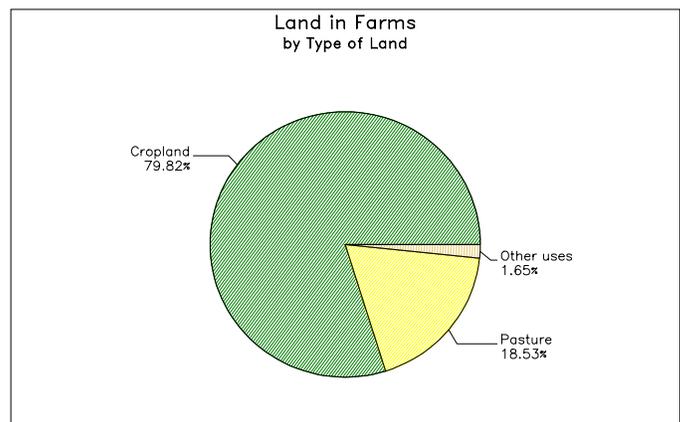
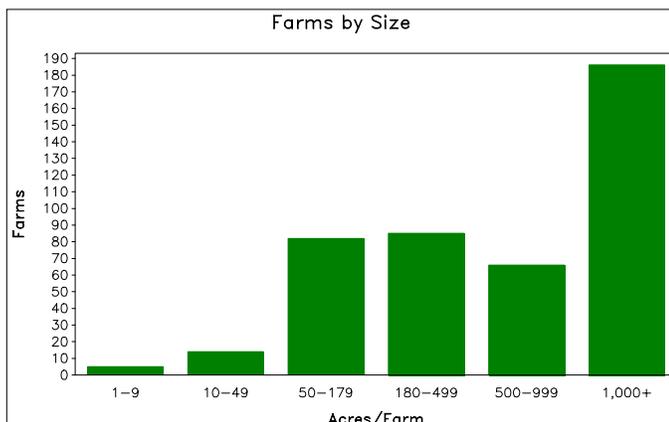
\$190,149 in 2002, \$129,330 in 1997, up 47 percent.

### Government Payments

\$5,426,000 in 2002, \$6,417,000 in 1997, down 15 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$16,100 in 2002, \$13,860 in 1997, up 16 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 93 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	83,285	50	93	662	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	56,825	22	93	396	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	26,460	65	93	1,038	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	53,610	21	91	206	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	40	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	68	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	31	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	7	44	91	2,087	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	73	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	13	83	89	2,152	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	11	89	93	2,888	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	24	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	74	-	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	26,604	80	93	1,167	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	434	44	93	2,008	2,983
Sheep and lambs	369	66	90	1,642	2,867
All Goats	333	8	89	1,393	2,971
Hogs and pigs <sup>3</sup>	(D)	(D)	90	(D)	2,926
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	130,292	23	93	125	2,592
All Wheat for grain	97,144	2	84	133	2,517
Soybeans	10,967	63	84	1,007	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	10,959	76	93	1,681	3,059
Popcorn	6,406	4	57	9	412

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	82	Farming	342
\$1,000 to \$2,499	11	Other	96
\$2,500 to \$4,999	12	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	24	Male	414
\$10,000 to \$19,999	41	Female	24
\$20,000 to \$24,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	35	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	24	White	631
\$50,000 to \$99,999	58	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	60	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	47	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	40	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	76,550	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	174,772	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	6
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	17,639		
Average per farm (\$)	40,271		

(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.

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