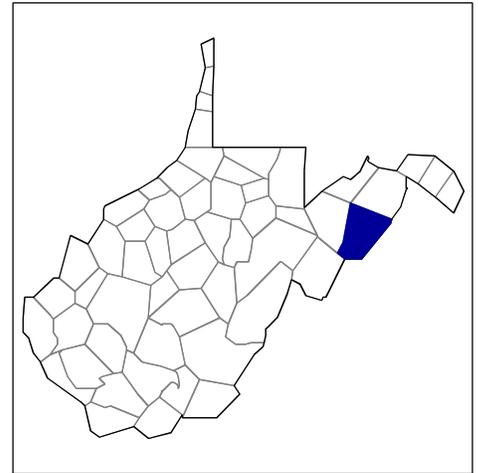


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Number of farms

468 farms in 2002, 527 farms in 1997, down 11 percent.

Land in farms

128,425 acres in 2002, 145,564 acres in 1997, down 12 percent.

Average size of farm

274 acres in 2002, 276 acres in 1997, down 1 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$123,627,000 in 2002, \$111,451,000 in 1997, up 11 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$1,005,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$122,622,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

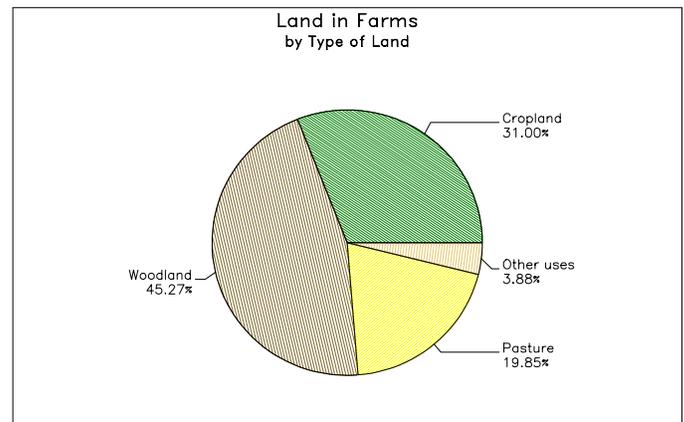
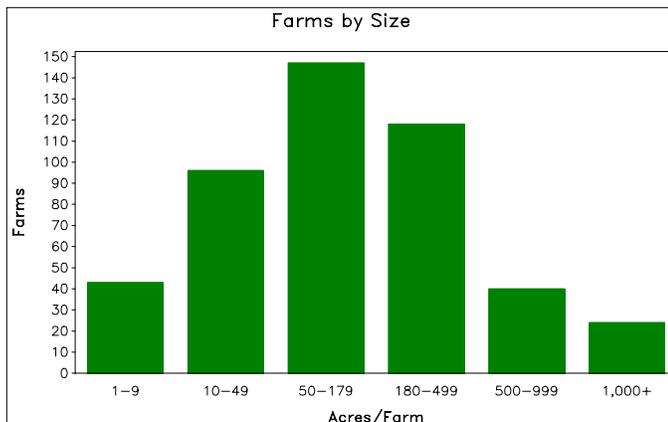
\$264,161 in 2002, \$211,483 in 1997, up 25 percent.

Government Payments

\$290,000 in 2002, \$441,000 in 1997, down 34 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,374 in 2002, \$5,450 in 1997, down 1 percent.



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Ranked items among the 55 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	123,627	1	55	354	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,005	15	55	2,724	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	122,622	1	55	148	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	581	4	43	1,956	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	20	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	15	26	52	2,067	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	86	33	54	2,126	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	291	16	53	2,317	3,046
Poultry and eggs	115,361	1	52	38	2,918
Cattle and calves	6,623	4	55	1,294	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	398	14	39	1,755	2,493
Hogs and pigs	53	6	51	1,681	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	115	7	52	727	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	51	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	30	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	3	28	52	2,234	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	5,211,766	1	47	79	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	728,225	1	52	123	2,983
Turkeys	448,047	2	42	60	2,328
Cattle and calves	21,535	3	55	1,380	3,059
Sheep and lambs	2,332	6	51	486	2,867
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	15,482	13	55	1,350	3,059
Corn for grain	3,254	3	47	1,427	2,592
Corn for silage	2,383	2	44	671	2,307
Soybeans	568	4	10	1,632	2,076
Barley	208	3	13	585	1,246

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	90	Farming	300
\$1,000 to \$2,499	78	Other	168
\$2,500 to \$4,999	40	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	40	Male	423
\$10,000 to \$19,999	22	Female	45
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	14	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	White	713
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	31	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	46	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	77	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	83,617	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	178,287	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	10
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	40,622		
Average per farm (\$)	86,614		

(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.