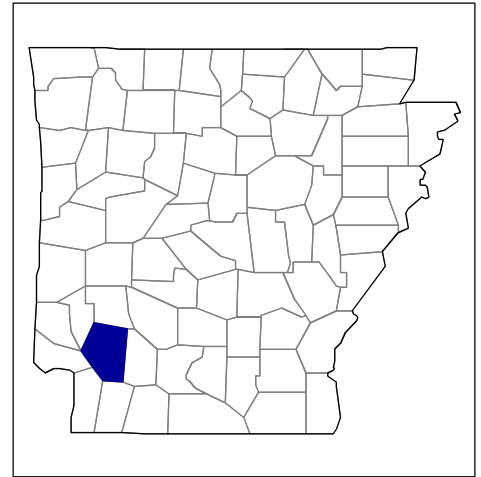


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Number of farms

783 farms in 2002, 814 farms in 1997, down 4 percent.

Land in farms

203,678 acres in 2002, 193,354 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

Average size of farm

260 acres in 2002, 238 acres in 1997, up 9 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$143,629,000 in 2002, \$145,045,000 in 1997, down 1 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,340,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$141,289,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

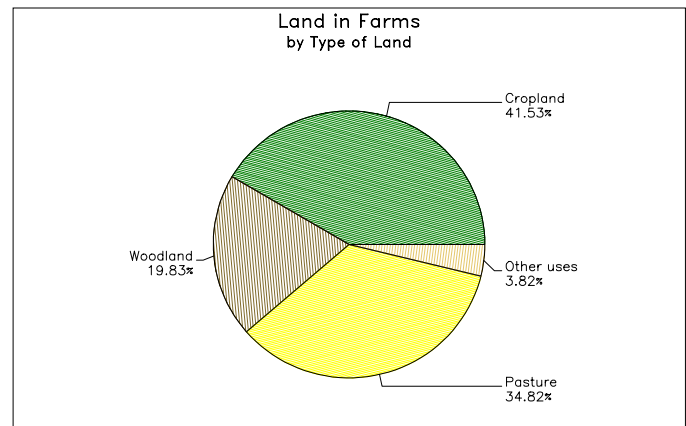
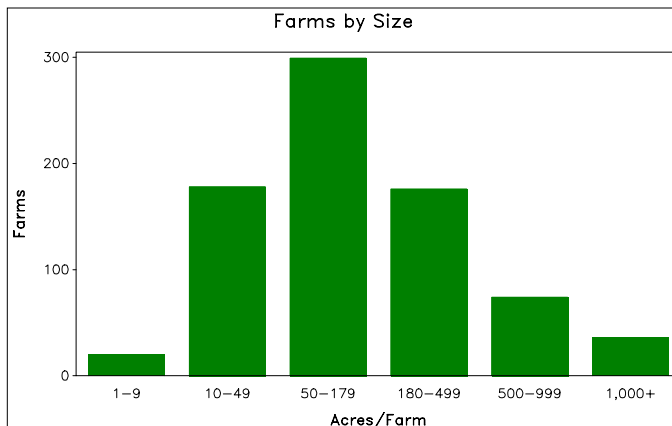
\$183,434 in 2002, \$178,188 in 1997, up 3 percent.

Government Payments

\$371,000 in 2002, \$726,000 in 1997, down 49 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,530 in 2002, \$7,334 in 1997, down 25 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	143,629	4	75	270	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,340	43	75	2,443	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	141,289	4	75	112	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	25	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	71	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	307	12	70	722	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,197	9	63	1,020	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	23	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	576	21	75	1,774	3,046
Poultry and eggs	121,941	4	69	31	2,918
Cattle and calves	13,103	9	75	796	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	48	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	5,478	9	69	446	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	6	43	70	2,546	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	74	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	45	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	1	59	64	2,495	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	11,001,979	3	63	20	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	591,272	4	72	146	2,983
Cattle and calves	61,211	6	75	409	3,059
Hogs and pigs	3,469	16	72	979	2,926
Horses and ponies	1,242	18	75	996	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	39,933	11	75	486	3,059
Pecans	(D)	2	55	(D)	1,194
Sod harvested	(D)	3	20	(D)	740
All Wheat for grain	(D)	41	51	(D)	2,517
Soybeans	(D)	44	46	(D)	2,076

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	138
\$1,000 to \$2,499	93
\$2,500 to \$4,999	87
\$5,000 to \$9,999	94
\$10,000 to \$19,999	79
\$20,000 to \$24,999	21
\$25,000 to \$39,999	29
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13
\$50,000 to \$99,999	33
\$100,000 to \$249,999	41
\$250,000 to \$499,999	67
\$500,000 or more	88
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	100,373
Average per farm (\$)	128,355
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	45,434
Average per farm (\$)	58,099

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	462
Other	321
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	702
Female	81
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.9
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,029
Black or African American	54
American Indian or Alaska Native	11
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	6
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	24

(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.