



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Newton, Arkansas



Number of farms

613 farms in 2002, 578 farms in 1997, up 6 percent.

Land in farms

131,214 acres in 2002, 114,008 acres in 1997, up 15 percent.

Average size of farm

214 acres in 2002, 197 acres in 1997, up 9 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$6,650,000 in 2002, \$10,146,000 in 1997, down 34 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$305,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$6,345,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

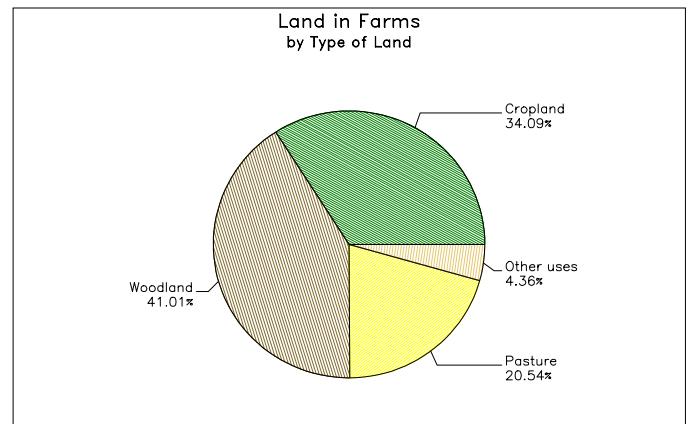
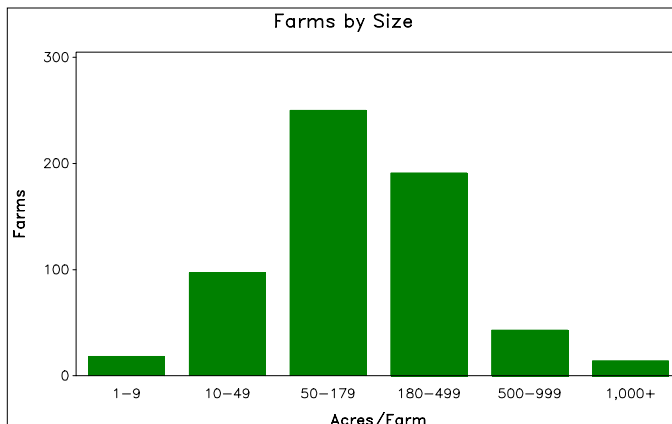
\$10,848 in 2002, \$17,554 in 1997, down 38 percent.

Government Payments

\$388,000 in 2002, \$63,000 in 1997, up 516 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$2,896 in 2002, \$749 in 1997, up 287 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	6,650	70	75	2,673	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	305	71	75	2,961	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	6,345	55	75	2,192	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	55	-	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	76	32	70	1,392	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	63	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	23	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	208	50	75	2,507	3,046
Poultry and eggs	1,489	50	69	891	2,918
Cattle and calves	3,659	40	75	1,762	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	172	34	48	2,015	2,493
Hogs and pigs	857	21	69	908	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	83	5	70	919	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	74	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	45	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	64	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	47	63	(D)	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	43,471	37	72	530	2,983
Cattle and calves	21,572	36	75	1,379	3,059
Hogs and pigs	2,863	20	72	1,037	2,926
All Goats	2,719	1	74	122	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,418	38	75	1,481	3,059
All Field and grass seed crops	(D)	14	23	(D)	1,293
All Berries	10	18	51	871	2,019
All Vegetables harvested	(D)	58	70	(D)	2,710
Apples	4	24	46	1,473	2,173

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	159
\$1,000 to \$2,499	95
\$2,500 to \$4,999	106
\$5,000 to \$9,999	119
\$10,000 to \$19,999	79
\$20,000 to \$24,999	14
\$25,000 to \$39,999	16
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	9
\$100,000 to \$249,999	8
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1
\$500,000 or more	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	5,815
Average per farm (\$)	9,517
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	96
Average per farm (\$)	158

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	308
Other	305
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	563
Female	50
Average age of principal operator (years)	53.5
All operators ² by race:	
White	908
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	4
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	8

(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.