



# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Saline, Arkansas



### Number of farms

432 farms in 2002, 376 farms in 1997, up 15 percent.

### Land in farms

55,967 acres in 2002, 53,349 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

### Average size of farm

130 acres in 2002, 142 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$3,841,000 in 2002, \$4,160,000 in 1997, down 8 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$1,320,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$2,520,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

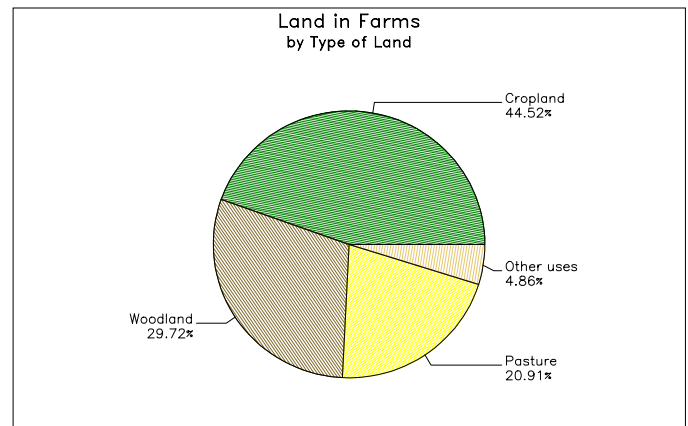
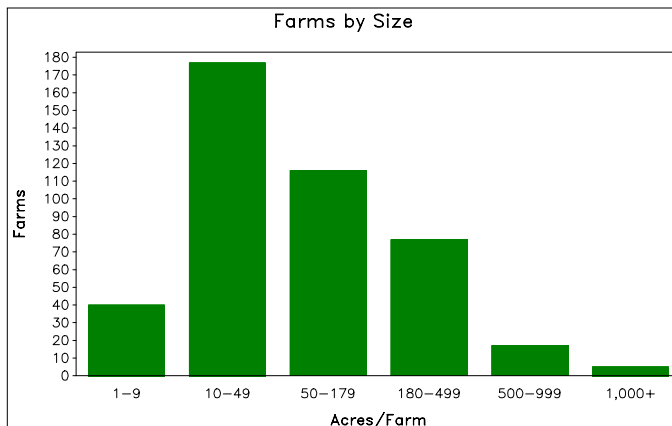
\$8,891 in 2002, \$11,065 in 1997, down 20 percent.

### Government Payments

\$20,000 in 2002, \$43,000 in 1997, down 53 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,968 in 2002, \$2,853 in 1997, down 31 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 75 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	3,841	73	75	2,831	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,320	49	75	2,640	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	2,520	64	75	2,633	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	55	-	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	25	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	371	16	71	1,099	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	32	49	70	1,778	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	636	16	63	1,308	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	15	8	23	1,050	1,774
Other crops and hay	266	45	75	2,374	3,046
Poultry and eggs	22	59	69	1,689	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,721	50	75	2,264	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	549	20	48	1,615	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	69	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	17	23	70	1,995	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	196	21	74	1,132	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	45	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	7	49	64	1,981	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	10,442	45	75	2,017	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,159	48	72	1,276	2,983
Horses and ponies	986	33	75	1,304	3,065
All Goats	610	18	74	843	2,971
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	56	63	(D)	2,599
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,192	39	75	1,489	3,059
Sod harvested	190	10	20	346	740
All Vegetables harvested	88	23	70	1,310	2,710
Cut Christmas trees	73	2	30	706	1,877
Southern peas	31	10	48	126	625

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	132
\$1,000 to \$2,499	97
\$2,500 to \$4,999	66
\$5,000 to \$9,999	68
\$10,000 to \$19,999	34
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	12
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4
\$100,000 to \$249,999	5
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2
\$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	4,581
Average per farm (\$)	10,605
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-858
Average per farm (\$)	-1,986

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	224
Other	208
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	376
Female	56
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.4
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	647
Black or African American	2
American Indian or Alaska Native	5
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	2
More than one race	1
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	9

(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.