

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## El Dorado, California



### Number of farms

1,116 farms in 2002, 991 farms in 1997, up 13 percent.

### Land in farms

117,064 acres in 2002, 117,775 acres in 1997, down 1 percent.

### Average size of farm

105 acres in 2002, 119 acres in 1997, down 12 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$15,703,000 in 2002, \$13,647,000 in 1997, up 15 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$13,458,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$2,245,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

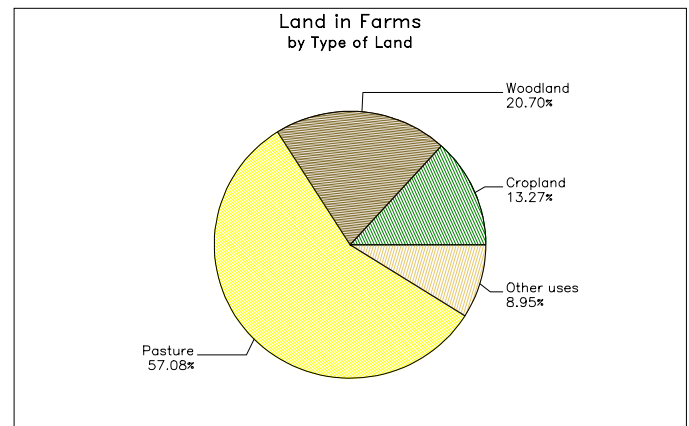
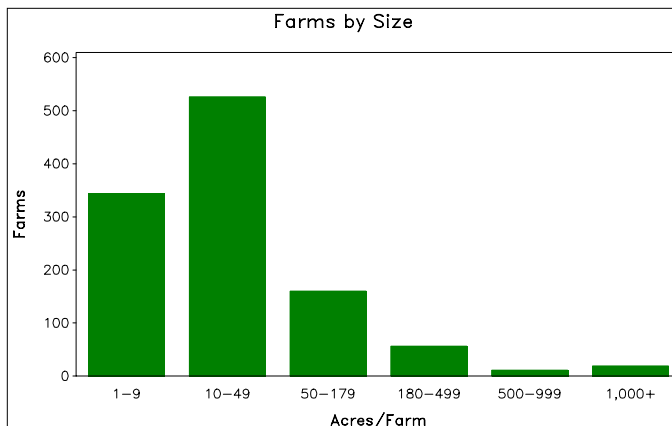
\$14,071 in 2002, \$13,771 in 1997, up 2 percent.

### Government Payments

\$64,000 in 2002, \$31,000 in 1997, up 106 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$4,284 in 2002, \$1,936 in 1997, up 121 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 58 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	15,703	48	58	2,250	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	13,458	43	58	1,452	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	2,245	51	58	2,673	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	48	-	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	17	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	356	43	56	1,121	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	8,710	37	55	122	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	3,639	39	55	558	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	719	5	43	69	1,774
Other crops and hay	35	53	57	2,944	3,046
Poultry and eggs	37	41	56	1,544	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,438	50	57	2,377	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	47	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	14	37	53	2,188	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	146	38	56	590	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	528	19	56	356	3,014
Aquaculture	28	37	51	792	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	54	47	54	1,124	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	7,675	48	57	2,270	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,524	19	57	311	3,065
Sheep and lambs	2,433	36	57	465	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,988	26	56	1,008	2,983
All Goats	1,589	25	55	259	2,971
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Grapes	2,173	24	52	37	1,830
Cut Christmas trees	1,313	2	45	58	1,877
Apples	842	12	53	68	2,173
English Walnuts	390	28	49	30	213
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	315	55	57	2,979	3,059

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	425	Farming	638
\$1,000 to \$2,499	150	Other	478
\$2,500 to \$4,999	143		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	138	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	89	Male	833
\$20,000 to \$24,999	38	Female	283
\$25,000 to \$39,999	49		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	40		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	23	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	12	White	1,708
\$500,000 or more	-	Black or African American	3
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	22,201	American Indian or Alaska Native	19
Average per farm (\$)	19,894	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2
		Asian	13
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-2,891	More than one race	27
Average per farm (\$)	-2,590	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	61

(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.