



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Hamilton, Illinois

Number of farms

694 farms in 2002, 644 farms in 1997, up 8 percent.

Land in farms

234,314 acres in 2002, 221,890 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

Average size of farm

338 acres in 2002, 345 acres in 1997, down 2 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$29,521,000 in 2002, \$38,956,000 in 1997, down 24 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$26,307,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$3,214,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

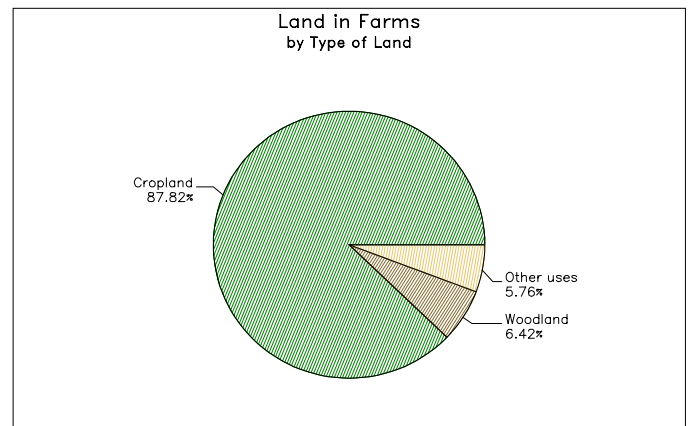
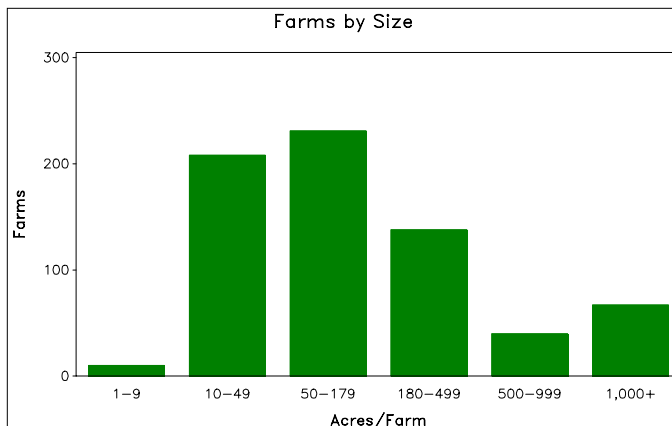
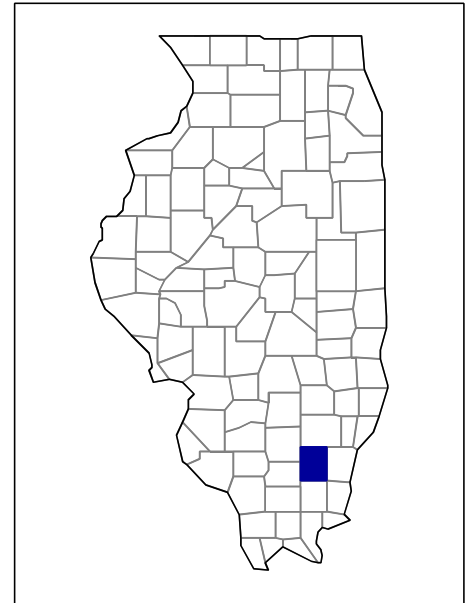
\$42,538 in 2002, \$60,491 in 1997, down 30 percent.

Government Payments

\$3,843,000 in 2002, \$3,101,000 in 1997, up 24 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$7,169 in 2002, \$6,654 in 1997, up 8 percent.



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United States Department of Agriculture, Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service**

Hamilton, Illinois

Ranked items among the 102 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	29,521	81	102	1,716	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	26,307	80	102	966	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	3,214	90	102	2,552	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	25,705	78	102	551	2,871
Tobacco	(D)	(D)	4	(D)	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	97	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	164	86	102	2,618	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	914	94	102	2,584	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	296	64	91	1,864	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1,941	76	102	722	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	5	86	101	2,565	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	56	68	100	2,288	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	92	-	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	24,167	51	102	471	2,926
Cattle and calves	4,320	83	102	2,585	3,059
Horses and ponies	443	62	102	2,282	3,065
Sheep and lambs	207	76	101	1,951	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	129	87	101	2,636	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	95,396	53	102	273	2,076
Corn for grain	62,937	74	102	396	2,592
All Wheat for grain	9,677	19	102	658	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	4,844	64	102	2,337	3,059
Sorghum for grain	2,629	6	63	327	1,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	340	Farming	328
\$1,000 to \$2,499	32	Other	366
\$2,500 to \$4,999	47		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	48	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	42	Male	627
\$20,000 to \$24,999	15	Female	67
\$25,000 to \$39,999	38		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	19	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	45		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	41	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	15	White	880
\$500,000 or more	12	Black or African American	2
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	25,861	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Average per farm (\$)	37,263	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	7,076	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	10,196	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.