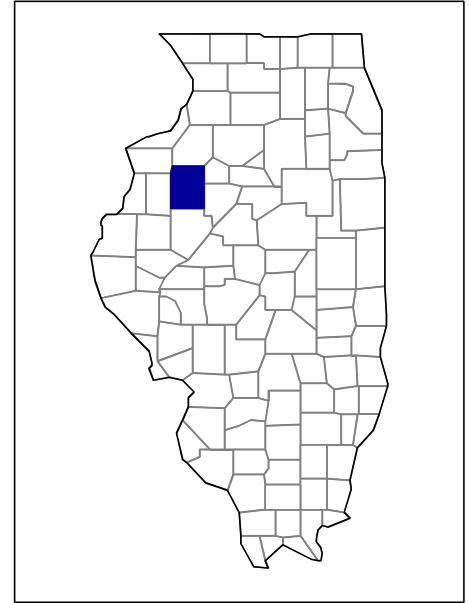


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Number of farms

921 farms in 2002, 992 farms in 1997, down 7 percent.

Land in farms

393,976 acres in 2002, 395,750 acres in 1997, down slightly.

Average size of farm

428 acres in 2002, 399 acres in 1997, up 7 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$129,655,000 in 2002, \$131,430,000 in 1997, down 1 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$86,934,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$42,722,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

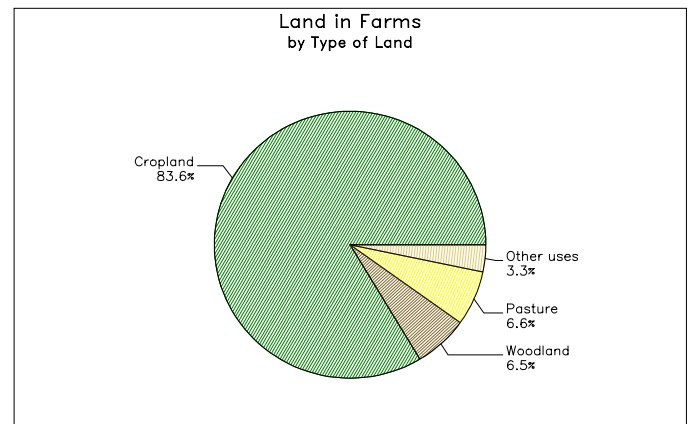
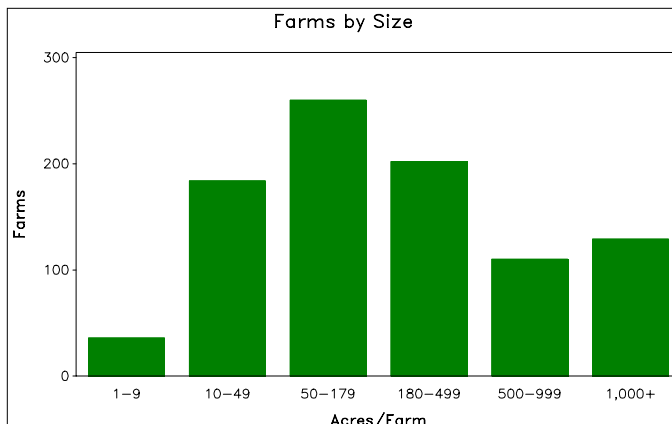
\$140,777 in 2002, \$132,490 in 1997, up 6 percent.

Government Payments

\$6,713,000 in 2002, \$5,362,000 in 1997, up 25 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$10,969 in 2002, \$8,648 in 1997, up 27 percent.



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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	129,655	14	102	321	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	86,934	19	102	172	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	42,722	10	102	671	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	86,072	16	102	50	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	109	58	97	1,680	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	8	82	93	2,271	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	733	24	102	1,557	3,046
Poultry and eggs	3	76	98	2,400	2,918
Cattle and calves	13,005	13	102	802	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	324	61	91	1,839	2,493
Hogs and pigs	29,084	5	102	98	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	46	23	101	1,332	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	253	14	100	884	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	33	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	7	56	92	1,978	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	109,598	8	102	136	2,926
Cattle and calves	28,285	11	102	1,112	3,059
Sheep and lambs	1,286	17	101	801	2,867
Horses and ponies	566	45	102	2,013	3,065
Pigeons	(D)	4	41	(D)	1,368
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	154,305	21	102	75	2,592
Soybeans	139,238	24	102	96	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,414	14	102	1,555	3,059
Oats	1,191	7	90	440	2,215
Corn for silage	1,006	37	100	1,105	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	175	Farming	605
\$1,000 to \$2,499	58	Other	316
\$2,500 to \$4,999	66		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	80	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	85	Male	851
\$20,000 to \$24,999	20	Female	70
\$25,000 to \$39,999	42		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	106		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	133	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	86	White	1,305
\$500,000 or more	57	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	103,165	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Average per farm (\$)	112,503	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	32,788	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	35,755	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	7

(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.