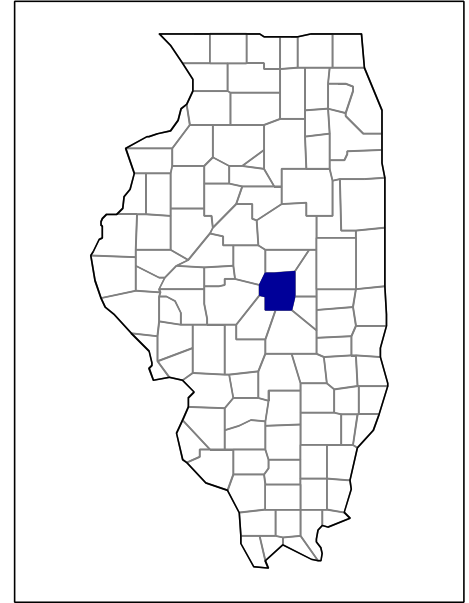


# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Macon, Illinois



### Number of farms

646 farms in 2002, 710 farms in 1997, down 9 percent.

### Land in farms

320,646 acres in 2002, 326,532 acres in 1997, down 2 percent.

### Average size of farm

496 acres in 2002, 460 acres in 1997, up 8 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$90,857,000 in 2002, \$106,407,000 in 1997, down 15 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$84,921,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$5,937,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

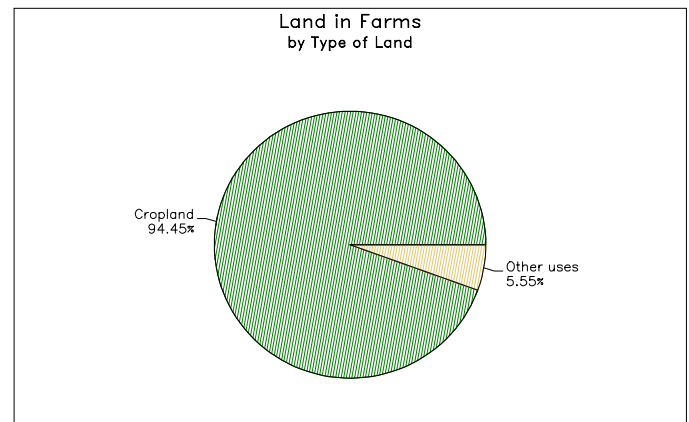
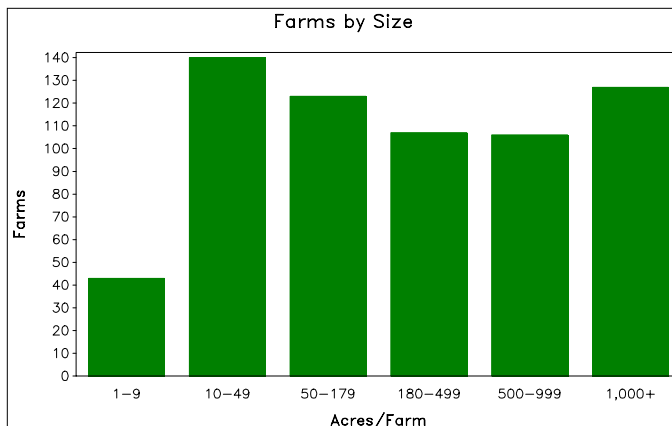
\$140,646 in 2002, \$149,870 in 1997, down 6 percent.

### Government Payments

\$4,688,000 in 2002, \$4,451,000 in 1997, up 5 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$11,692 in 2002, \$9,936 in 1997, up 18 percent.



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**Macon, Illinois**

**Ranked items among the 102 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	90,857	33	102	603	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	84,921	21	102	188	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,937	75	102	2,237	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	77,419	23	102	81	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	912	27	97	795	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	3,791	22	92	542	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	2,498	1	78	25	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	102	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	2	80	98	2,501	2,918
Cattle and calves	3,837	45	102	1,718	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1,156	87	102	839	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	8	77	101	2,390	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	107	45	100	1,710	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	92	-	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	6,397	89	102	840	2,926
Cattle and calves	3,295	92	102	2,678	3,059
Horses and ponies	346	71	102	2,498	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	214	77	101	2,442	2,983
Sheep and lambs	189	77	101	1,988	2,867
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	151,029	22	102	85	2,592
Soybeans	143,185	20	102	83	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	1,778	95	102	2,771	3,059
Short-rotation woody crops	530	2	53	109	1,262
Nursery stock	470	14	82	227	2,129

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	87	Farming	474
\$1,000 to \$2,499	30	Other	172
\$2,500 to \$4,999	33		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	50	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	48	Male	607
\$20,000 to \$24,999	18	Female	39
\$25,000 to \$39,999	46		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	14	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	63		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	116	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	107	White	872
\$500,000 or more	34	Black or African American	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	63,208	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
Average per farm (\$)	98,149	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	35,554	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	55,208	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2

(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.