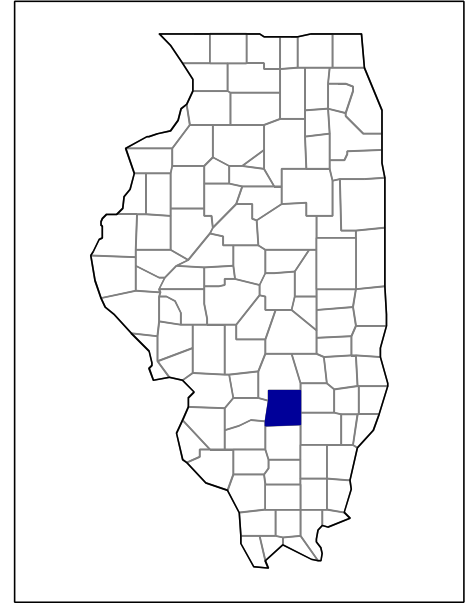




# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Marion, Illinois



### Number of farms

1,095 farms in 2002, 995 farms in 1997, up 10 percent.

### Land in farms

261,899 acres in 2002, 254,362 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

### Average size of farm

239 acres in 2002, 256 acres in 1997, down 7 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$38,901,000 in 2002, \$55,005,000 in 1997, down 29 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$28,577,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$10,324,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

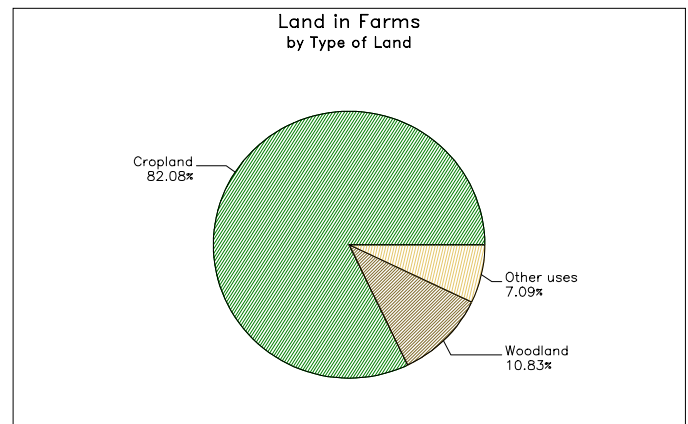
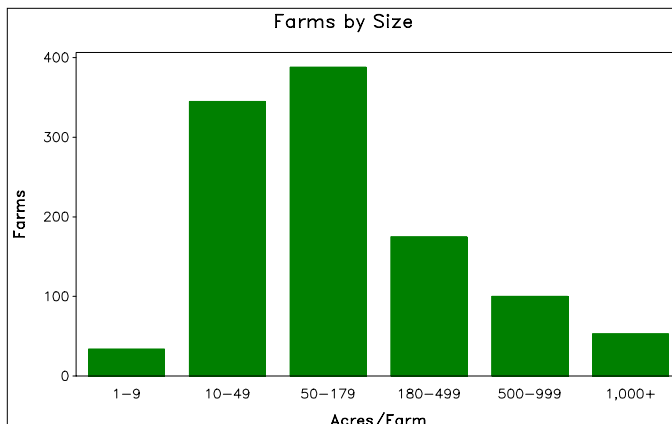
\$35,526 in 2002, \$55,281 in 1997, down 36 percent.

### Government Payments

\$3,938,000 in 2002, \$2,952,000 in 1997, up 33 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$4,711 in 2002, \$4,613 in 1997, up 2 percent.



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**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	38,901	77	102	1,463	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	28,577	75	102	899	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	10,324	54	102	1,862	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	26,779	76	102	530	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	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	505	46	102	1,896	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,924	59	102	1,927	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	313	62	91	1,850	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	102	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	15	65	101	2,075	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	207	18	100	1,085	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	33	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	2	101	(D)	2,983
Cattle and calves	11,285	44	102	1,948	3,059
Hogs and pigs	8,601	82	102	764	2,926
Horses and ponies	834	23	102	1,524	3,065
Sheep and lambs	331	63	101	1,701	2,867
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Soybeans	91,503	57	102	298	2,076
Corn for grain	63,388	73	102	394	2,592
All Wheat for grain	11,386	14	102	597	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,353	27	102	1,841	3,059
Sorghum for grain	5,630	2	63	241	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	532	Farming	541
\$1,000 to \$2,499	77	Other	554
\$2,500 to \$4,999	77		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	68	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	57	Male	987
\$20,000 to \$24,999	24	Female	108
\$25,000 to \$39,999	53		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	25	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	69		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	85	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	18	White	1,390
\$500,000 or more	10	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	33,022	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Average per farm (\$)	30,157	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	6,624	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	6,050	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.