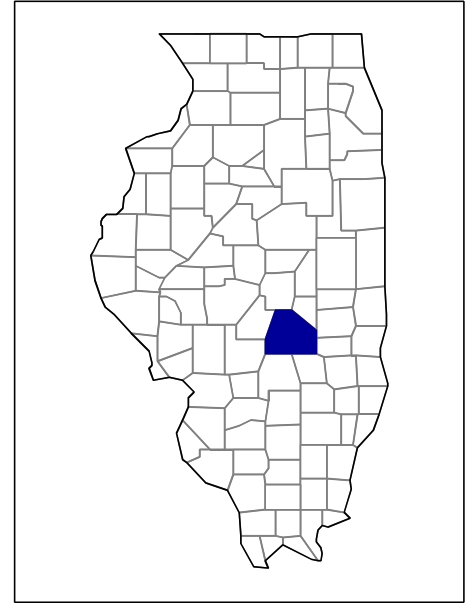




# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Shelby, Illinois



### Number of farms

1,228 farms in 2002, 1,361 farms in 1997, down 10 percent.

### Land in farms

419,814 acres in 2002, 425,275 acres in 1997, down 1 percent.

### Average size of farm

342 acres in 2002, 312 acres in 1997, up 10 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$94,959,000 in 2002, \$112,705,000 in 1997, down 16 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$73,233,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$21,726,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

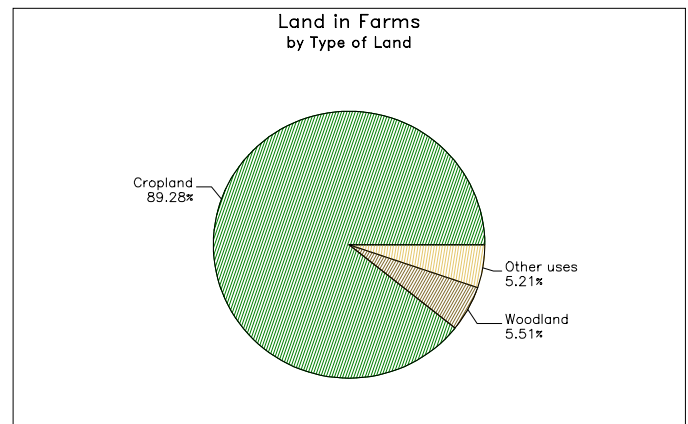
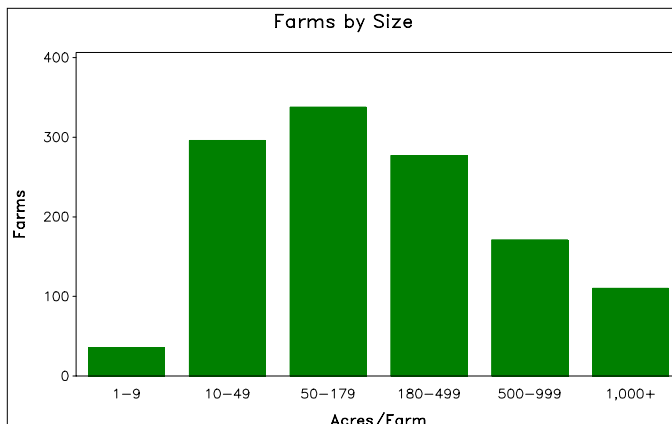
\$77,328 in 2002, \$82,810 in 1997, down 7 percent.

### Government Payments

\$5,805,000 in 2002, \$5,408,000 in 1997, up 7 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$6,853 in 2002, \$5,865 in 1997, up 17 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	94,959	30	102	563	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	73,233	29	102	260	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	21,726	30	102	1,234	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	71,943	26	102	100	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	35	56	93	1,733	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	413	50	92	1,505	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	27	36	78	859	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	102	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	4	74	98	2,337	2,918
Cattle and calves	7,628	21	102	1,194	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	5,030	12	91	626	2,493
Hogs and pigs	8,857	35	102	318	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	28	44	101	1,686	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	178	22	100	1,223	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	33	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	3	72	92	2,185	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	56,285	29	102	261	2,926
Cattle and calves	20,247	18	102	1,443	3,059
Horses and ponies	925	14	102	1,390	3,065
Sheep and lambs	768	30	101	1,155	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	461	53	101	1,960	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Soybeans	168,378	11	102	36	2,076
Corn for grain	166,704	18	102	45	2,592
All Wheat for grain	13,080	11	102	550	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	10,715	23	102	1,701	3,059
Corn for silage	2,643	10	100	625	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	245	Farming	806
\$1,000 to \$2,499	77	Other	422
\$2,500 to \$4,999	80	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	101	Male	1,170
\$10,000 to \$19,999	130	Female	58
\$20,000 to \$24,999	27	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	94	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	45	White	1,697
\$50,000 to \$99,999	134	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	191	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	83	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	21	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	79,667	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	64,928	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	8
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	21,091		
Average per farm (\$)	17,189		

(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.