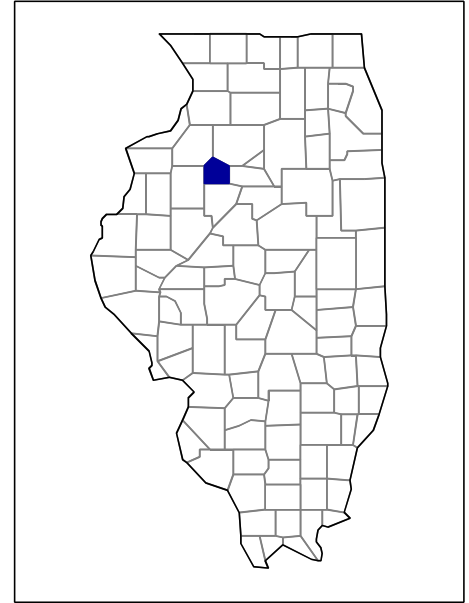




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Number of farms

335 farms in 2002, 374 farms in 1997, down 10 percent.

Land in farms

174,311 acres in 2002, 182,291 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Average size of farm

520 acres in 2002, 487 acres in 1997, up 7 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$56,725,000 in 2002, \$65,697,000 in 1997, down 14 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$48,247,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$8,478,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

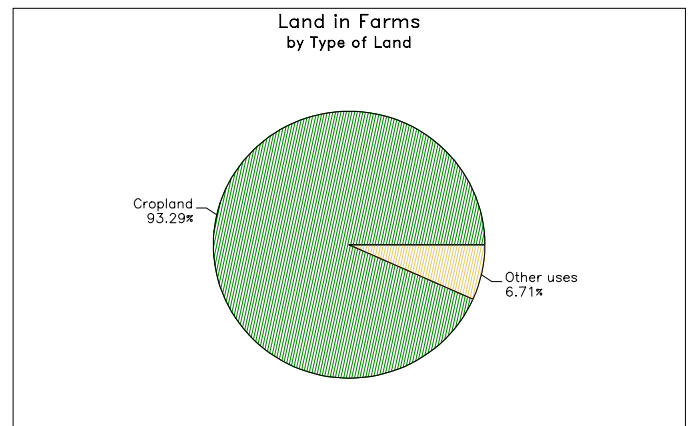
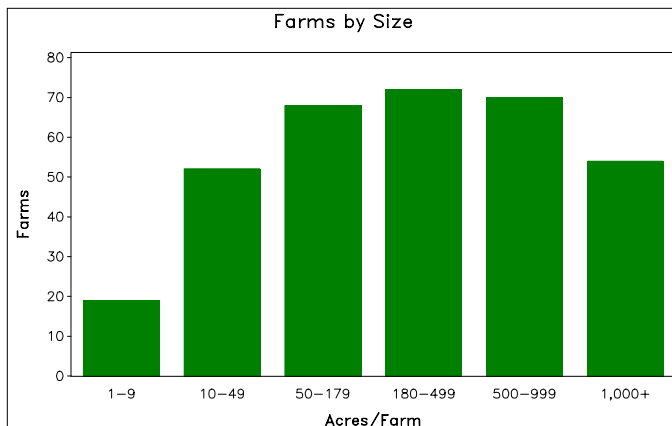
\$169,328 in 2002, \$175,659 in 1997, down 4 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,584,000 in 2002, \$3,137,000 in 1997, down 18 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$10,589 in 2002, \$11,324 in 1997, down 6 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	56,725	58	102	1,014	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	48,247	52	102	497	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	8,478	61	102	1,998	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	47,820	49	102	264	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	179	61	92	1,868	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	78	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	102	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	-	-	98	-	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,408	82	102	2,391	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	260	68	91	1,918	2,493
Hogs and pigs	6,728	41	102	397	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	19	55	101	1,930	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	100	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	33	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	18,246	62	102	552	2,926
Cattle and calves	3,078	94	102	2,700	3,059
Sheep and lambs	269	69	101	1,819	2,867
All Goats	172	38	102	1,936	2,971
Horses and ponies	119	98	102	2,930	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	88,989	54	102	256	2,592
Soybeans	67,506	72	102	444	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	1,520	96	102	2,799	3,059
All Wheat for grain	258	95	102	1,978	2,517
All Vegetables harvested	(D)	41	97	(D)	2,710

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	35
\$1,000 to \$2,499	11
\$2,500 to \$4,999	18
\$5,000 to \$9,999	12
\$10,000 to \$19,999	30
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	24
\$40,000 to \$49,999	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	33
\$100,000 to \$249,999	88
\$250,000 to \$499,999	43
\$500,000 or more	24
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	43,297
Average per farm (\$)	130,022
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	17,864
Average per farm (\$)	53,646

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	245
Other	90
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	316
Female	19
Average age of principal operator (years)	53.6
All operators ² by race:	
White	478
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

(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.