

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Kossuth, Iowa

Number of farms

1,340 farms in 2002, 1,468 farms in 1997, down 9 percent.

Land in farms

591,814 acres in 2002, 601,406 acres in 1997, down 2 percent.

Average size of farm

442 acres in 2002, 410 acres in 1997, up 8 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$261,017,000 in 2002, \$248,373,000 in 1997, up 5 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$145,372,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$115,645,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

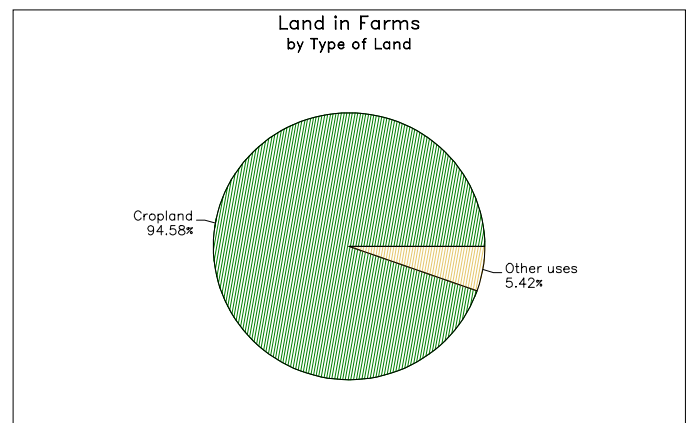
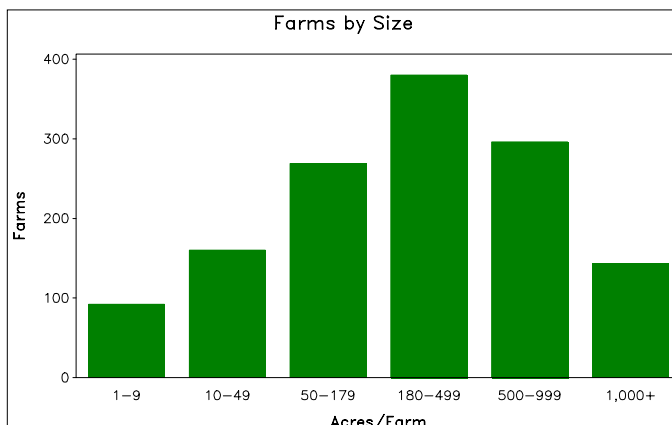
\$194,789 in 2002, \$169,192 in 1997, up 15 percent.

Government Payments

\$10,247,000 in 2002, \$10,689,000 in 1997, down 4 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,872 in 2002, \$8,871 in 1997, up 11 percent.



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Ranked items among the 99 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	261,017	4	99	99	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	145,372	1	99	77	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	115,645	13	99	168	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	142,723	1	99	8	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,236	2	92	504	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	74	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	25,087	25	99	384	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	96	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	82,760	9	99	20	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	139	52	99	616	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	21	94	99	2,753	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	31	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	154	15	94	699	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	423,442	9	99	17	2,926
Cattle and calves	31,462	50	99	1,015	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	2,787	44	99	901	2,983
Sheep and lambs	2,055	49	99	546	2,867
Mink ³	(D)	(D)	7	(D)	117
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	287,388	1	99	4	2,592
Soybeans	245,524	1	99	11	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	5,218	82	99	2,287	3,059
Corn for silage	2,965	23	99	569	2,307
All Vegetables harvested	2,099	1	93	270	2,710

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	169	Farming	1,016
\$1,000 to \$2,499	26	Other	324
\$2,500 to \$4,999	10	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	36	Male	1,281
\$10,000 to \$19,999	59	Female	59
\$20,000 to \$24,999	38	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	101	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	88	White	1,826
\$50,000 to \$99,999	212	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	319	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	169	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	113	Asian	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	232,554	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	172,774	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	5
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	50,015		
Average per farm (\$)	37,158		

(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.

³ Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.