

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Pottawattamie, Iowa

### Number of farms

1,255 farms in 2002, 1,416 farms in 1997, down 11 percent.

### Land in farms

540,288 acres in 2002, 561,611 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

### Average size of farm

431 acres in 2002, 397 acres in 1997, up 9 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$163,267,000 in 2002, \$196,257,000 in 1997, down 17 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$106,911,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$56,356,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

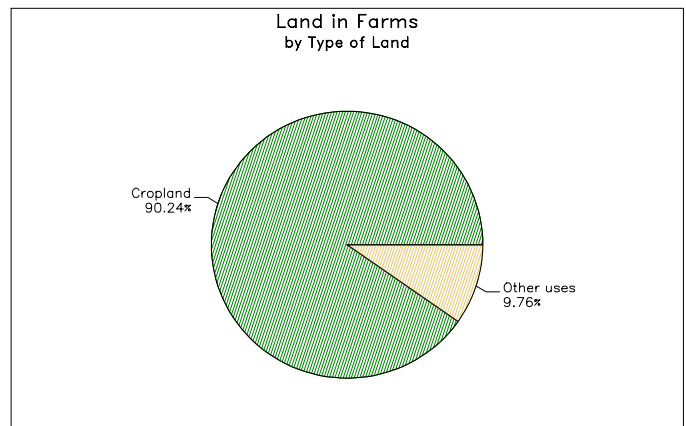
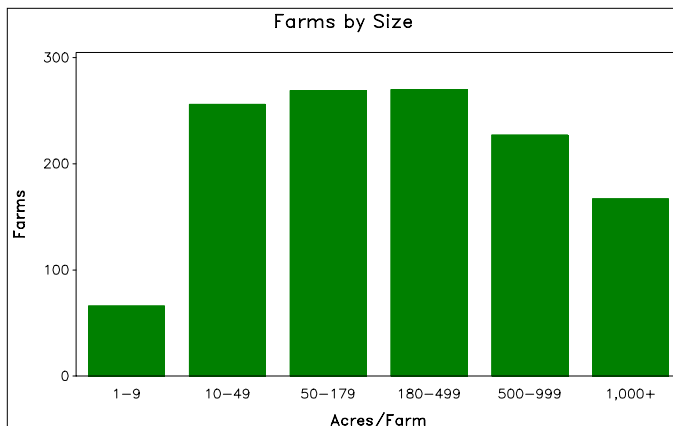
\$130,093 in 2002, \$138,600 in 1997, down 6 percent.

### Government Payments

\$8,636,000 in 2002, \$7,759,000 in 1997, up 11 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$10,742 in 2002, \$7,909 in 1997, up 36 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 99 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	163,267	16	99	208	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	106,911	3	99	115	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	56,356	39	99	483	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	103,788	4	99	20	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	123	34	92	1,607	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,597	16	95	898	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	74	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,355	29	99	973	3,046
Poultry and eggs	43	67	99	1,496	2,918
Cattle and calves	45,032	8	99	174	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	96	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	10,769	75	99	277	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	101	66	99	801	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	238	13	99	949	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	31	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	63,358	11	99	380	3,059
Hogs and pigs	55,626	73	99	264	2,926
Sheep and lambs	2,069	47	99	544	2,867
Pheasants	1,833	7	55	197	1,541
Horses and ponies	1,381	9	99	859	3,065
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	218,112	3	99	13	2,592
Soybeans	205,719	2	99	15	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	16,632	34	99	1,265	3,059
Corn for silage	3,177	20	99	542	2,307
Oats	1,220	41	99	427	2,215

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	237	Farming	930
\$1,000 to \$2,499	57	Other	325
\$2,500 to \$4,999	55	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	88	Male	1,184
\$10,000 to \$19,999	89	Female	71
\$20,000 to \$24,999	39	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	78	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	51	White	1,759
\$50,000 to \$99,999	136	Black or African American	6
\$100,000 to \$249,999	238	American Indian or Alaska Native	6
\$250,000 to \$499,999	128	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	59	Asian	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	140,653	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	112,253	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	8
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	38,723		
Average per farm (\$)	30,904		

(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.