

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Story, Iowa

### Number of farms

977 farms in 2002, 1,004 farms in 1997, down 3 percent.

### Land in farms

359,604 acres in 2002, 353,532 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

### Average size of farm

368 acres in 2002, 352 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$118,730,000 in 2002, \$135,320,000 in 1997, down 12 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$92,488,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$26,243,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

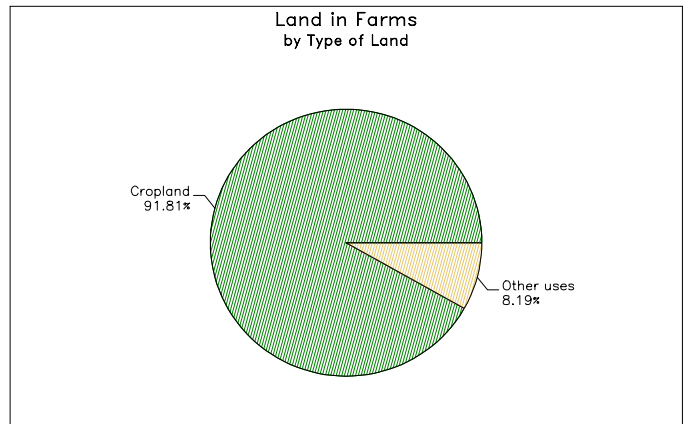
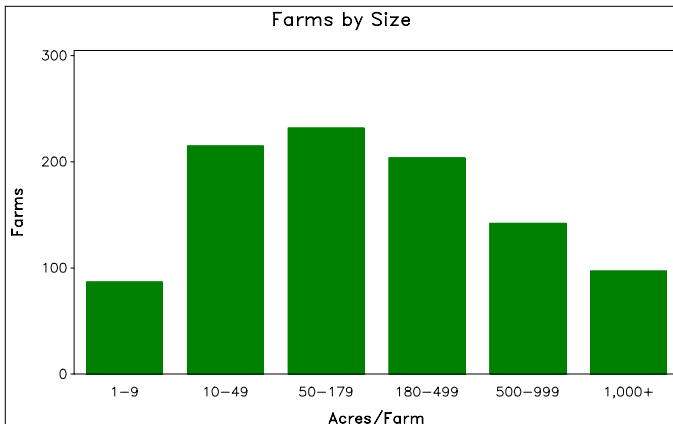
\$121,525 in 2002, \$134,780 in 1997, down 10 percent.

### Government Payments

\$5,577,000 in 2002, \$5,636,000 in 1997, down 1 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$8,838 in 2002, \$7,742 in 1997, up 14 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	118,730	46	99	385	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	92,488	8	99	148	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	26,243	84	99	1,046	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	89,641	9	99	38	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,526	18	95	921	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	35	13	74	752	1,774
Other crops and hay	924	54	99	1,317	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	9,511	78	99	1,028	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,179	44	96	1,282	2,493
Hogs and pigs	13,546	65	99	224	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	86	64	99	1,903	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	31	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	20	52	94	1,521	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	78,623	62	99	199	2,926
Turkeys	(D)	12	88	(D)	2,328
Cattle and calves	16,040	86	99	1,674	3,059
Sheep and lambs	4,813	10	99	230	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,910	46	99	1,030	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	163,078	14	99	54	2,592
Soybeans	140,082	22	99	93	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,447	74	99	2,124	3,059
Corn for silage	808	83	99	1,205	2,307
Oats	593	77	99	744	2,215

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	174
\$1,000 to \$2,499	40
\$2,500 to \$4,999	49
\$5,000 to \$9,999	50
\$10,000 to \$19,999	86
\$20,000 to \$24,999	28
\$25,000 to \$39,999	74
\$40,000 to \$49,999	49
\$50,000 to \$99,999	137
\$100,000 to \$249,999	140
\$250,000 to \$499,999	104
\$500,000 or more	46
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	91,791
Average per farm (\$)	94,241
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	37,816
Average per farm (\$)	38,825

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	627
Other	350
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	918
Female	59
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.2
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	1,349
Black or African American	1
American Indian or Alaska Native	7
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
Asian	-
More than one race	-
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.