

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Elk, Kansas

Number of farms

407 farms in 2002, 381 farms in 1997, up 7 percent.

Land in farms

370,355 acres in 2002, 313,467 acres in 1997, up 18 percent.

Average size of farm

910 acres in 2002, 823 acres in 1997, up 11 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$25,766,000 in 2002, \$19,667,000 in 1997, up 31 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$4,025,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$21,741,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

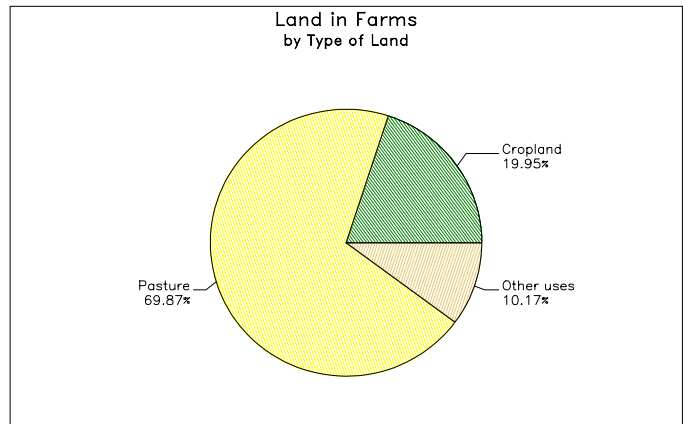
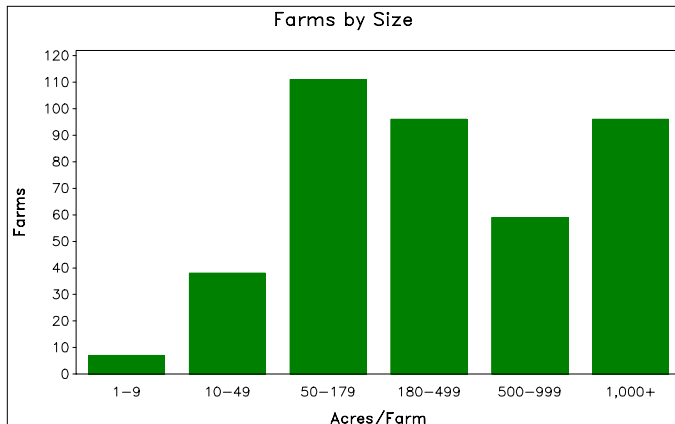
\$63,307 in 2002, \$51,620 in 1997, up 23 percent.

Government Payments

\$688,000 in 2002, \$549,000 in 1997, up 25 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,699 in 2002, \$3,737 in 1997, down 1 percent.



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Ranked items among the 105 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	25,766	94	105	1,861	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	4,025	104	105	2,194	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	21,741	72	105	1,232	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	3,386	103	105	1,373	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	5	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	28	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	66	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	52	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	77	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	40	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	617	95	105	1,703	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	100	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	21,474	59	105	472	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	29	88	105	1,899	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	20	70	105	1,920	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	180	16	105	1,212	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	22	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	12	54	87	1,753	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	44,950	59	105	664	3,059
All Goats	1,228	3	98	358	2,971
Horses and ponies	755	31	105	1,650	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	734	23	105	1,622	2,983
Hogs and pigs	213	85	105	1,992	2,926
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	28,115	49	105	787	3,059
Soybeans	12,035	59	105	989	2,076
All Wheat for grain	5,986	96	105	845	2,517
Corn for grain	2,905	95	105	1,453	2,592
Sorghum for grain	2,833	95	105	317	1,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	74	Farming	269
\$1,000 to \$2,499	23	Other	138
\$2,500 to \$4,999	36		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	57	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	59	Male	370
\$20,000 to \$24,999	23	Female	37
\$25,000 to \$39,999	37		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	47		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	28	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	7	White	565
\$500,000 or more	7	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	23,640	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
Average per farm (\$)	58,371	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	5,677	More than one race	6
Average per farm (\$)	14,017	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3

(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.