

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Morton, Kansas

### Number of farms

309 farms in 2002, 246 farms in 1997, up 26 percent.

### Land in farms

352,563 acres in 2002, 440,566 acres in 1997, down 20 percent.

### Average size of farm

1,141 acres in 2002, 1,791 acres in 1997, down 36 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$41,323,000 in 2002, \$58,882,000 in 1997, down 30 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$12,915,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$28,408,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

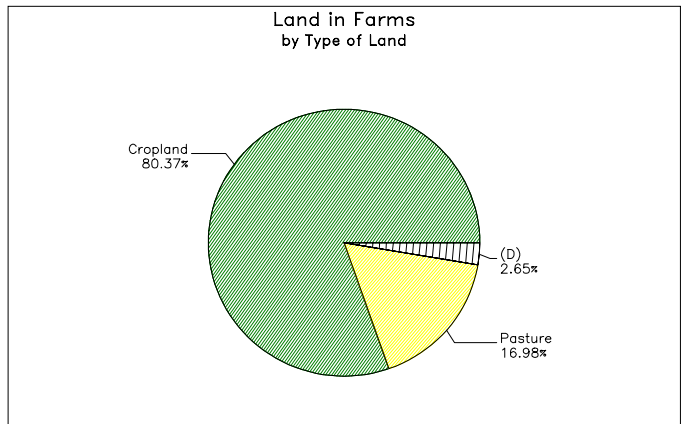
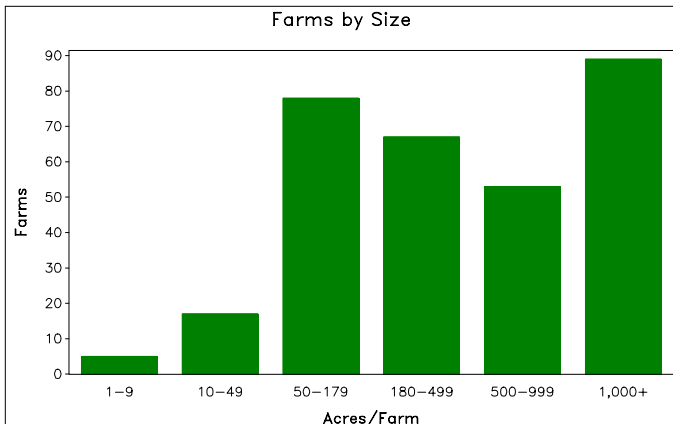
\$133,732 in 2002, \$239,358 in 1997, down 44 percent.

### Government Payments

\$4,133,000 in 2002, \$4,594,000 in 1997, down 10 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$15,538 in 2002, \$24,053 in 1997, down 35 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 105 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	41,323	65	105	1,391	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	12,915	83	105	1,491	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	28,408	53	105	980	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	12,073	78	105	921	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	5	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	194	11	28	502	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	66	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	52	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	77	-	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	40	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	647	94	105	1,658	3,046
Poultry and eggs	-	-	100	-	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	105	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	105	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	105	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	23	86	105	2,724	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	22	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	87	-	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	(D)	2	105	(D)	2,926
Cattle and calves	14,624	103	105	1,761	3,059
Horses and ponies	205	98	105	2,811	3,065
Sheep and lambs	188	81	103	1,992	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	130	86	105	2,634	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
All Wheat for grain	43,046	70	105	282	2,517
Sorghum for grain	30,905	38	105	66	1,307
Corn for grain	13,788	61	105	932	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,780	104	105	2,464	3,059
Corn for silage	1,902	53	104	779	2,307

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	163	Farming	175
\$1,000 to \$2,499	6	Other	134
\$2,500 to \$4,999	9		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	15	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	14	Male	274
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5	Female	35
\$25,000 to \$39,999	20		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	19		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	32	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	11	White	408
\$500,000 or more	9	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	42,705	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
Average per farm (\$)	138,203	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,003	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	12,955	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	4

(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.