

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Sherman, Kansas

Number of farms

443 farms in 2002, 485 farms in 1997, down 9 percent.

Land in farms

606,676 acres in 2002, 653,055 acres in 1997, down 7 percent.

Average size of farm

1,369 acres in 2002, 1,347 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$68,105,000 in 2002, \$83,049,000 in 1997, down 18 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$35,623,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$32,483,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

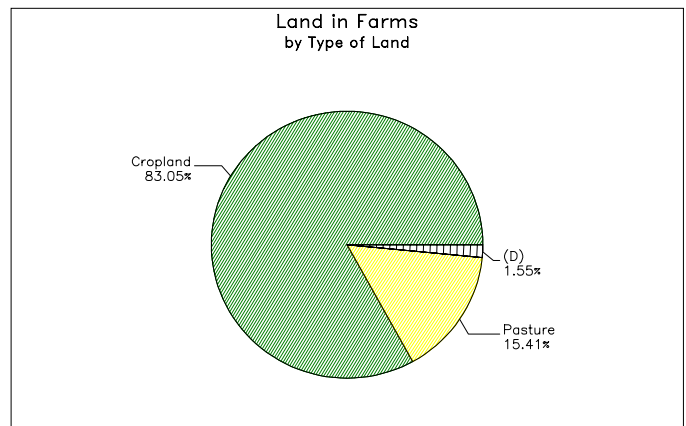
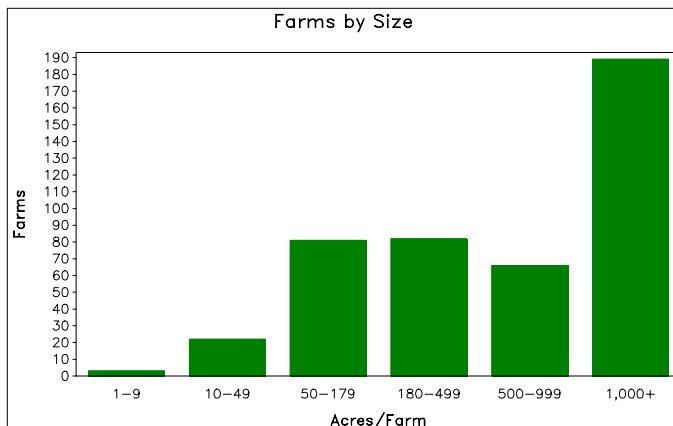
\$153,736 in 2002, \$171,234 in 1997, down 10 percent.

Government Payments

\$5,290,000 in 2002, \$5,950,000 in 1997, down 11 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$14,987 in 2002, \$14,407 in 1997, up 4 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	68,105	39	105	833	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	35,623	19	105	735	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	32,483	51	105	875	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	33,948	15	105	421	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	5	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	28	-	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	(D)	(D)	105	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	2	74	100	2,504	2,918
Cattle and calves	32,228	46	105	277	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	15	94	105	2,159	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	119	12	105	709	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	8	99	105	2,928	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	22	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	27,432	92	105	1,140	3,059
Sheep and lambs	1,818	11	103	608	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	378	52	105	2,110	2,983
Horses and ponies	298	84	105	2,621	3,065
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	93	47	82	1,856	2,599
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Wheat for grain	132,747	12	105	80	2,517
Corn for grain	62,337	9	105	400	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,647	91	105	1,534	3,059
Sunflower seed	7,691	1	89	55	746
Soybeans	6,937	71	105	1,129	2,076

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	121	Farming	307
\$1,000 to \$2,499	12	Other	136
\$2,500 to \$4,999	6		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	25	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	49	Male	409
\$20,000 to \$24,999	16	Female	34
\$25,000 to \$39,999	30		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	15	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	48		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	66	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	37	White	611
\$500,000 or more	18	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	71,582	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	161,220	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,449	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	10,020	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.