

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Thomas, Kansas

Number of farms

476 farms in 2002, 582 farms in 1997, down 18 percent.

Land in farms

690,010 acres in 2002, 695,335 acres in 1997, down 1 percent.

Average size of farm

1,450 acres in 2002, 1,195 acres in 1997, up 21 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$92,940,000 in 2002, \$118,232,000 in 1997, down 21 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$44,579,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$48,362,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

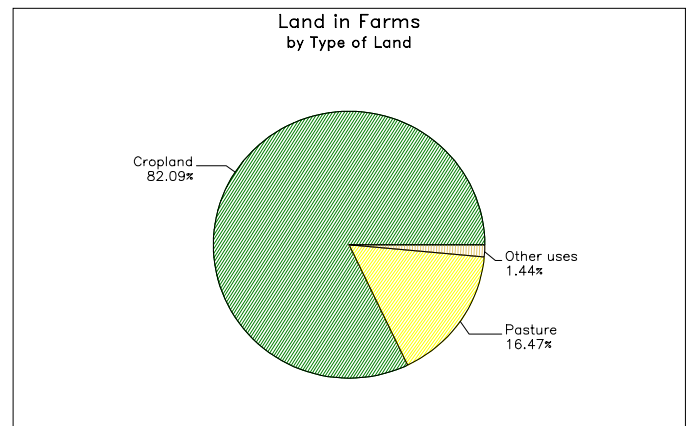
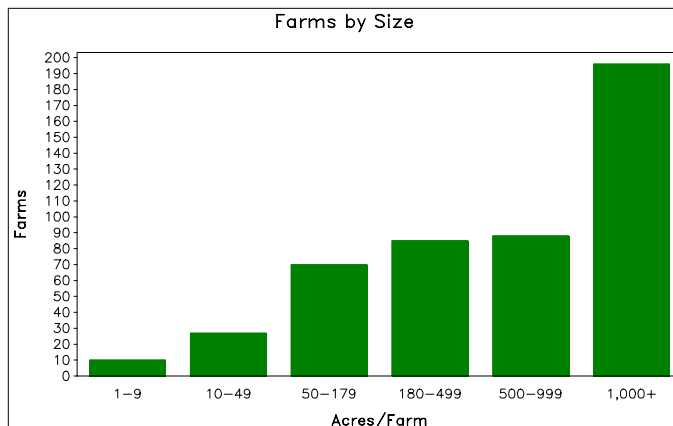
\$195,253 in 2002, \$203,148 in 1997, down 4 percent.

Government Payments

\$6,035,000 in 2002, \$6,815,000 in 1997, down 11 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$16,533 in 2002, \$14,199 in 1997, up 16 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	92,940	30	105	584	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	44,579	10	105	543	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	48,362	34	105	578	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	42,815	8	105	312	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	-	-	40	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	105	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	1	79	100	2,592	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	97	77	105	1,463	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	34	48	105	1,538	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	48	62	105	2,380	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	42,754	63	105	709	3,059
Sheep and lambs	689	39	103	1,225	2,867
Hogs and pigs	514	76	105	1,619	2,926
Horses and ponies	482	50	105	2,209	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	250	67	105	2,357	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Wheat for grain	159,069	8	105	61	2,517
Corn for grain	65,908	7	105	380	2,592
Sorghum for grain	25,141	50	105	90	1,307
Soybeans	17,677	49	105	882	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,920	86	105	1,439	3,059

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	79	Farming	319
\$1,000 to \$2,499	16	Other	157
\$2,500 to \$4,999	14		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	26	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	46	Male	443
\$20,000 to \$24,999	18	Female	33
\$25,000 to \$39,999	53		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	18	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	55		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	83	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	35	White	672
\$500,000 or more	33	Black or African American	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	94,820	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	200,465	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	7,394	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	15,632	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2

(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.