

## 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

### Union, Kentucky

#### Number of farms

328 farms in 2002, 407 farms in 1997, down 19 percent.

#### Land in farms

208,908 acres in 2002, 224,586 acres in 1997, down 7 percent.

#### Average size of farm

637 acres in 2002, 552 acres in 1997, up 15 percent.

#### Market Value of Production

\$43,347,000 in 2002, \$61,698,000 in 1997, down 30 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$38,027,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$5,320,000 of the total value in 2002.

#### Market Value of Production, average per farm

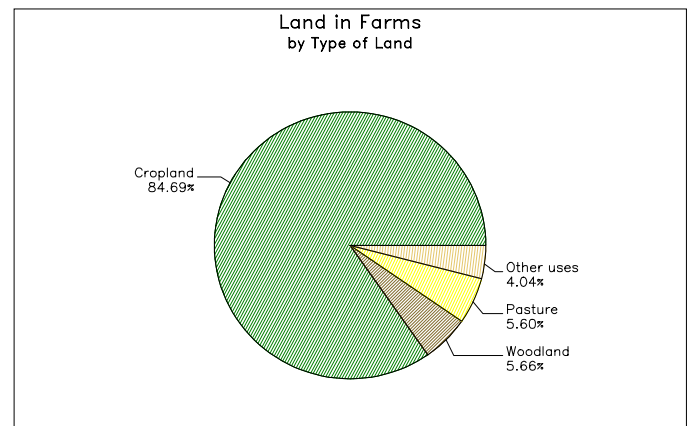
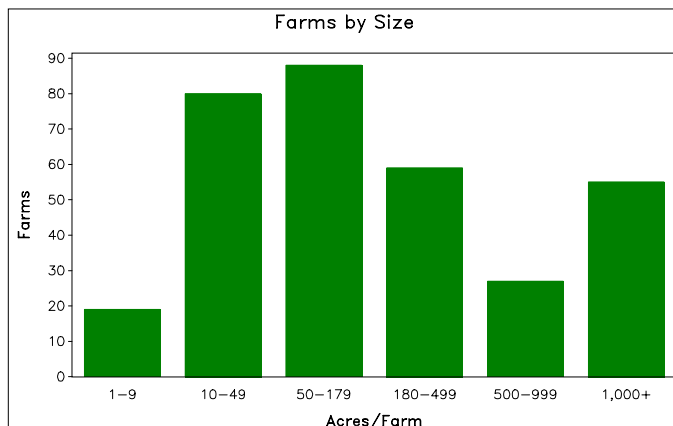
\$132,156 in 2002, \$151,592 in 1997, down 13 percent.

#### Government Payments

\$3,091,000 in 2002, \$1,993,000 in 1997, up 55 percent.

#### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$18,506 in 2002, \$9,445 in 1997, up 96 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 120 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	43,347	21	120	1,335	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	38,027	5	120	675	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,320	73	120	2,315	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	37,503	1	117	374	2,871
Tobacco	(D)	(D)	114	(D)	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	111	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	112	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	372	41	106	1,553	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	49	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	124	99	120	2,715	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	115	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	3,824	57	120	1,725	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	106	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	823	24	111	915	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	120	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	670	21	118	240	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	100	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	13,597	65	120	1,813	3,059
Hogs and pigs	7,628	18	112	790	2,926
Horses and ponies	475	92	119	2,221	3,065
Sheep and lambs	(D)	84	108	(D)	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	115	119	(D)	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	86,473	1	117	265	2,592
Soybeans	65,841	4	100	453	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	8,606	86	120	1,914	3,059
All Wheat for grain	5,695	14	101	863	2,517
Sorghum for grain	934	4	23	476	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	34	Farming	198
\$1,000 to \$2,499	34	Other	130
\$2,500 to \$4,999	33		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	43	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	25	Male	308
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5	Female	20
\$25,000 to \$39,999	35		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	17	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	16		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	42	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	19	White	464
\$500,000 or more	25	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	37,497	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	113,626	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	10,895	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	33,014	All operators <sup>2</sup> 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.

<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.