

## 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

### Breathitt, Kentucky

#### Number of farms

209 farms in 2002, 211 farms in 1997, down 1 percent.

#### Land in farms

51,179 acres in 2002, 48,362 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

#### Average size of farm

245 acres in 2002, 229 acres in 1997, up 7 percent.

#### Market Value of Production

\$1,343,000 in 2002, \$1,455,000 in 1997, down 8 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$967,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$376,000 of the total value in 2002.

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

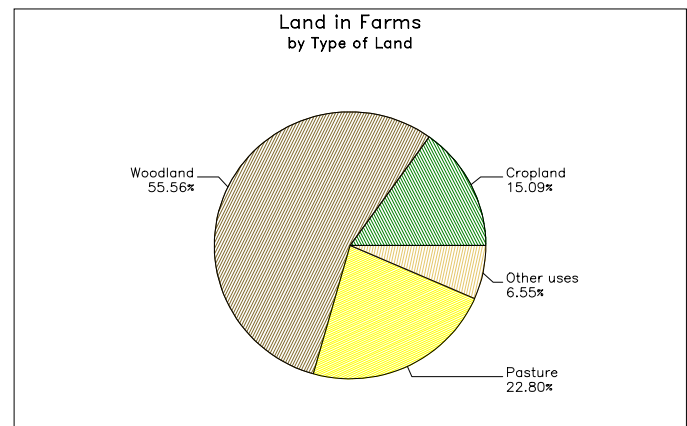
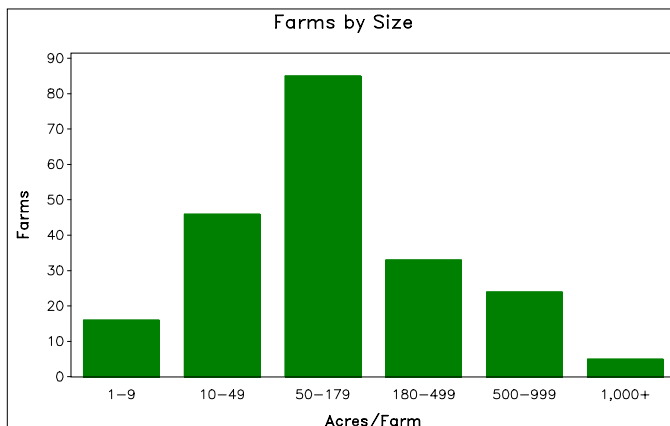
\$6,425 in 2002, \$6,895 in 1997, down 7 percent.

#### Government Payments

\$21,000 in 2002, \$7,000 in 1997, up 200 percent.

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

\$502 in 2002, \$251 in 1997, up 100 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	1,343	107	120	2,987	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	967	108	120	2,741	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	376	109	120	2,975	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	117	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	864	93	114	269	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	18	97	111	2,362	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	112	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	106	-	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	49	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	37	111	120	2,939	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(Z)	108	115	2,759	2,918
Cattle and calves	136	113	120	2,947	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	106	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1	106	111	2,772	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	2	110	120	2,822	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	118	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	51	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	100	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	1,109	111	120	2,915	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	201	97	119	2,470	2,983
Deer	190	2	27	306	1,080
Horses and ponies	178	109	119	2,857	3,065
All Goats	160	94	119	1,998	2,971
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	1,178	111	120	2,858	3,059
Tobacco	350	87	114	242	563
Corn for grain	235	99	117	2,167	2,592
Corn for silage	39	97	106	2,129	2,307
Soybeans	12	99	100	2,036	2,076

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	39
\$1,000 to \$2,499	61
\$2,500 to \$4,999	46
\$5,000 to \$9,999	28
\$10,000 to \$19,999	21
\$20,000 to \$24,999	7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	3
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-
\$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	1,148
Average per farm (\$)	5,492
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	287
Average per farm (\$)	1,372

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	93
Other	116
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	181
Female	28
Average age of principal operator (years)	52.6
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	285
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	1
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.