

# 2002 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

## Calcasieu, Louisiana

### Number of farms

870 farms in 2002, 987 farms in 1997, down 12 percent.

### Land in farms

303,423 acres in 2002, 324,491 acres in 1997, down 6 percent.

### Average size of farm

349 acres in 2002, 329 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$15,765,000 in 2002, \$21,329,000 in 1997, down 26 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$7,957,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$7,807,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

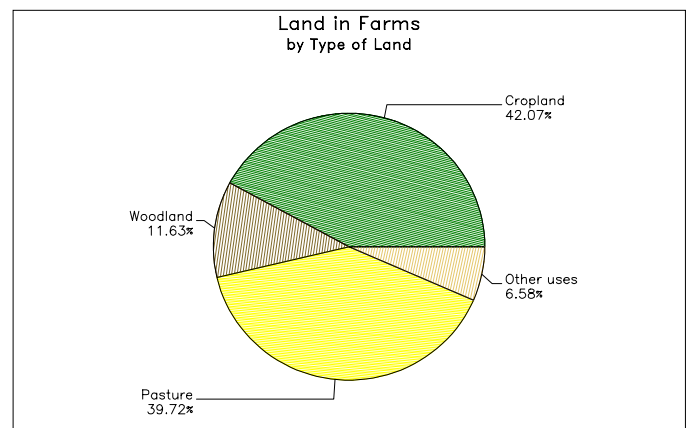
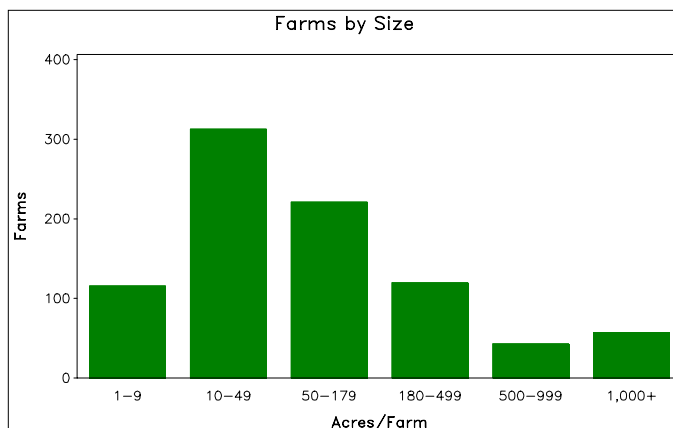
\$18,120 in 2002, \$21,610 in 1997, down 16 percent.

### Government Payments

\$2,033,000 in 2002, \$1,366,000 in 1997, up 49 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$17,225 in 2002, \$7,344 in 1997, up 135 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 64 state parishes 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	15,765	41	64	2,245	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	7,957	32	64	1,806	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	7,807	20	64	2,065	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	4,058	21	48	1,316	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	3	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	23	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	57	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	60	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	539	21	57	1,387	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	34	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	3,243	19	63	383	3,046
Poultry and eggs	19	24	54	1,727	2,918
Cattle and calves	6,861	5	63	1,266	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	28	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	193	4	57	1,275	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	19	5	58	1,938	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	101	11	51	852	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	37,227	2	63	848	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,408	2	64	342	3,065
Quail	2,085	3	28	254	1,412
Hogs and pigs	1,378	3	60	1,244	2,926
Colonies of bees	814	10	42	498	2,392
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Rice	17,353	8	31	48	150
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	10,002	13	63	1,767	3,059
Sugarcane for sugar	3,319	19	24	27	37
Short-rotation woody crops	1,054	5	35	34	1,262
Soybeans	624	35	43	1,619	2,076

**Other Parish Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	287	Farming	405
\$1,000 to \$2,499	149	Other	465
\$2,500 to \$4,999	113		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	107	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	93	Male	784
\$20,000 to \$24,999	17	Female	86
\$25,000 to \$39,999	23		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	16	Average age of principal operator (years)	52.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	28		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	26	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	8	White	1,187
\$500,000 or more	3	Black or African American	30
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	19,993	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	22,928	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-939	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	-1,077	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	14

(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.