

2002 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

Cameron, Louisiana

Number of farms

409 farms in 2002, 489 farms in 1997, down 16 percent.

Land in farms

248,821 acres in 2002, 255,337 acres in 1997, down 3 percent.

Average size of farm

608 acres in 2002, 522 acres in 1997, up 16 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$6,279,000 in 2002, \$11,275,000 in 1997, down 44 percent.

Crop sales accounted for (D) of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for (D) of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

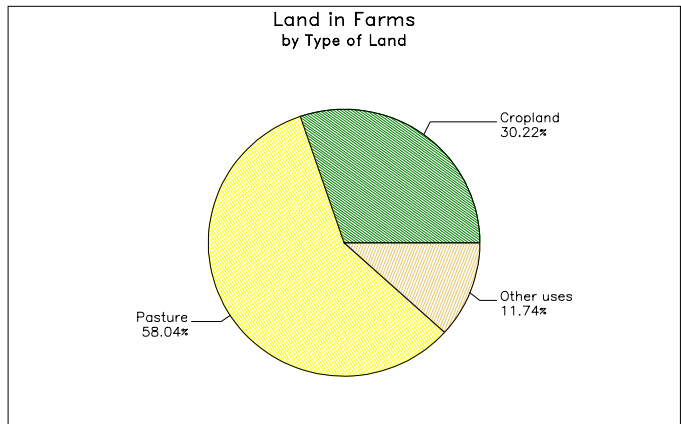
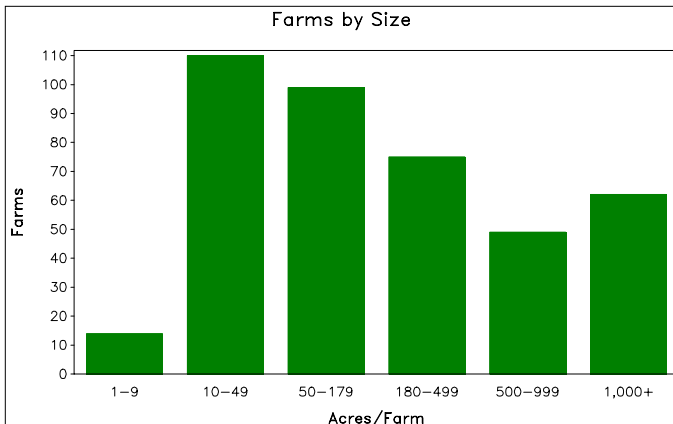
\$15,352 in 2002, \$23,057 in 1997, down 33 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,797,000 in 2002, \$750,000 in 1997, up 140 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$39,936 in 2002, \$13,885 in 1997, up 188 percent.



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United States Department of Agriculture, Louisiana Agricultural Statistics Service**

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Ranked items among the 64 state parishes 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	6,279	54	64	2,699	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	(D)	(D)	64	(D)	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	(D)	(D)	64	(D)	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	48	(D)	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	-	-	60	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	57	-	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	34	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	39	59	63	2,928	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	63	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	28	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	20	18	57	2,042	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	11	14	58	2,253	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	15	57	62	2,838	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	51	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	28,153	8	63	1,115	3,059
Quail	(D)	4	28	(D)	1,412
Horses and ponies	875	19	64	1,463	3,065
All Goats	196	26	59	1,836	2,971
Hogs and pigs	140	28	60	2,196	2,926
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Rice	10,151	11	31	64	150
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,761	44	63	2,628	3,059
Soybeans	(D)	37	43	(D)	2,076
Sugarcane for sugar	(D)	24	24	(D)	37
Pecans	(D)	42	55	(D)	1,194

Other Parish Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	117
\$1,000 to \$2,499	58
\$2,500 to \$4,999	62
\$5,000 to \$9,999	74
\$10,000 to \$19,999	39
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12
\$25,000 to \$39,999	10
\$40,000 to \$49,999	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	20
\$100,000 to \$249,999	10
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4
\$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	7,297
Average per farm (\$)	17,668
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,827
Average per farm (\$)	4,425

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	190
Other	219
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	361
Female	48
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.3
All operators ² by race:	
White	575
Black or African American	3
American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	18

(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.