

2002 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

St. Tammany, Louisiana

Number of farms

603 farms in 2002, 625 farms in 1997, down 4 percent.

Land in farms

51,308 acres in 2002, 47,887 acres in 1997, up 7 percent.

Average size of farm

85 acres in 2002, 77 acres in 1997, up 10 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$12,511,000 in 2002, \$13,387,000 in 1997, down 7 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$6,566,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$5,945,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

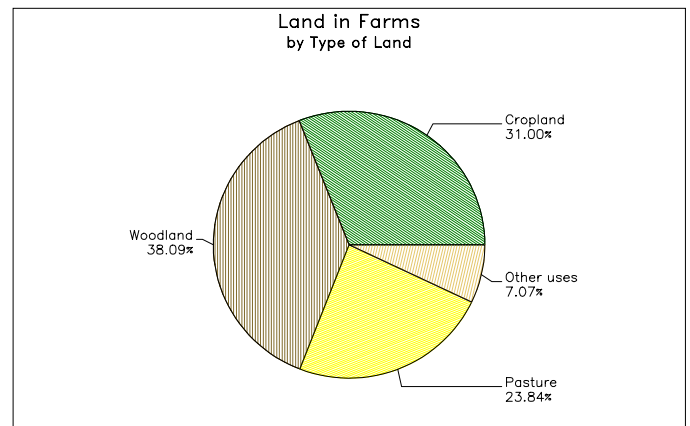
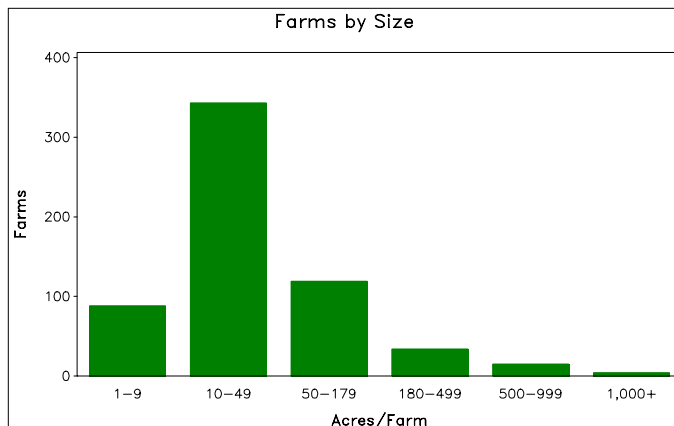
\$20,748 in 2002, \$21,420 in 1997, down 3 percent.

Government Payments

\$153,000 in 2002, \$68,000 in 1997, up 125 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,834 in 2002, \$2,113 in 1997, up 81 percent.



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

St. Tammany, Louisiana

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	12,511	43	64	2,384	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	6,566	35	64	1,928	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,945	24	64	2,236	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	48	-	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	3	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	23	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	84	32	57	1,802	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	183	14	60	945	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	5,992	4	57	411	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	133	5	34	357	1,774
Other crops and hay	174	48	63	2,589	3,046
Poultry and eggs	10	33	54	1,972	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,511	37	63	2,342	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	28	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	25	16	57	1,964	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	25	3	58	1,764	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	24	19	51	1,439	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	10,167	32	63	2,033	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,615	1	64	288	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,212	18	58	1,251	2,983
All Goats	491	8	59	1,021	2,971
Hogs and pigs	430	12	60	1,699	2,926
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	4,865	33	63	2,332	3,059
Nursery stock	239	6	45	404	2,129
Pecans	147	26	55	385	1,194
Cut Christmas trees	88	8	36	648	1,877
All Vegetables harvested	70	24	57	1,430	2,710

Other Parish Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	222
\$1,000 to \$2,499	104
\$2,500 to \$4,999	81
\$5,000 to \$9,999	74
\$10,000 to \$19,999	60
\$20,000 to \$24,999	11
\$25,000 to \$39,999	15
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12
\$100,000 to \$249,999	14
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4
\$500,000 or more	4
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	10,967
Average per farm (\$)	18,187
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	478
Average per farm (\$)	793

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	292
Other	311
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	483
Female	120
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.5
All operators ² by race:	
White	902
Black or African American	19
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	4
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	32

(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.