

2002 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

Tensas, Louisiana

Number of farms

228 farms in 2002, 233 farms in 1997, down 2 percent.

Land in farms

226,144 acres in 2002, 246,030 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

Average size of farm

992 acres in 2002, 1,056 acres in 1997, down 6 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$48,786,000 in 2002, \$71,451,000 in 1997, down 32 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$48,637,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$149,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

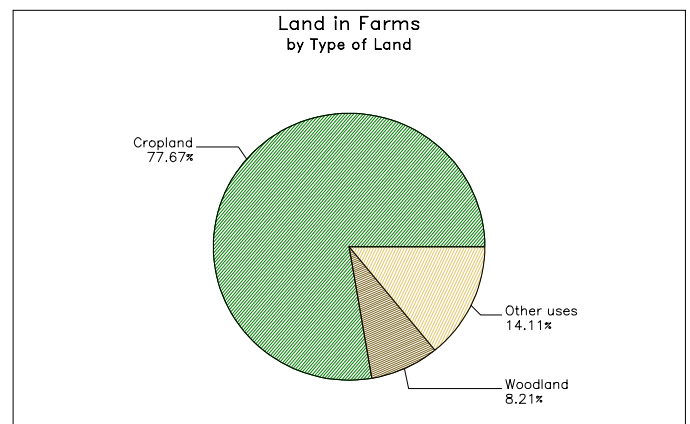
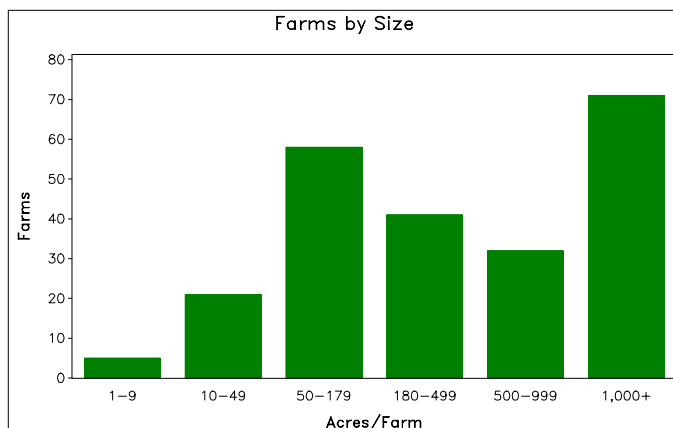
\$213,975 in 2002, \$306,655 in 1997, down 30 percent.

Government Payments

\$4,865,000 in 2002, \$2,718,000 in 1997, up 79 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$32,007 in 2002, \$19,412 in 1997, up 65 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	48,786	15	64	1,199	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	48,637	4	64	493	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	149	60	64	3,022	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	20,066	7	48	674	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	3	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	28,335	1	23	34	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	57	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	183	15	60	949	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	57	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	34	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	63	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	-	-	54	-	2,918
Cattle and calves	120	59	63	2,955	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	28	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	57	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	-	-	58	-	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	46	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	51	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	750	59	63	2,948	3,059
Horses and ponies	(D)	63	64	(D)	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	36	52	58	2,882	2,983
Hogs and pigs	30	45	60	2,678	2,926
All Goats	(D)	56	59	(D)	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Cotton	71,456	1	23	45	663
Corn for grain	54,168	2	43	464	2,592
Soybeans	19,928	11	43	844	2,076
All Wheat for grain	8,296	5	37	713	2,517
Sorghum for grain	7,792	5	26	197	1,307

Other Parish Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	73	Farming	163
\$1,000 to \$2,499	3	Other	65
\$2,500 to \$4,999	5		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	9	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	24	Male	213
\$20,000 to \$24,999	9	Female	15
\$25,000 to \$39,999	2		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	10		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	26	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	31	White	266
\$500,000 or more	28	Black or African American	39
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	46,328	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	201,426	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	9,692	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	42,140	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

(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.