

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Calhoun, Michigan

### Number of farms

1,147 farms in 2002, 1,261 farms in 1997, down 9 percent.

### Land in farms

239,913 acres in 2002, 259,840 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

### Average size of farm

209 acres in 2002, 206 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$64,443,000 in 2002, \$62,575,000 in 1997, up 3 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$36,169,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$28,273,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

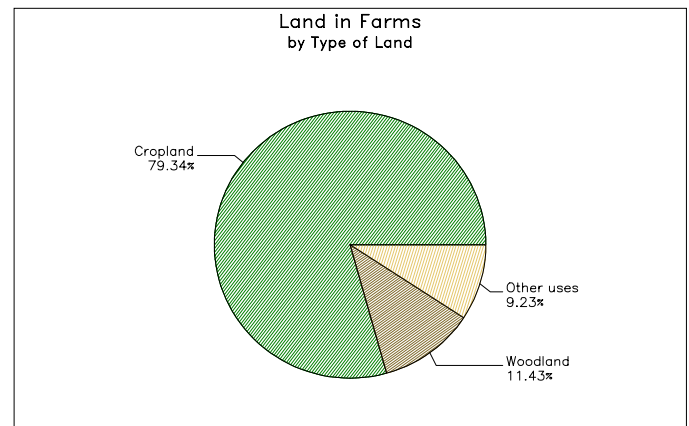
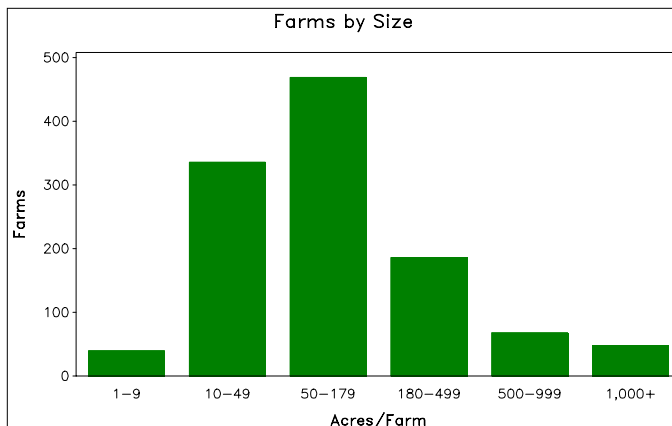
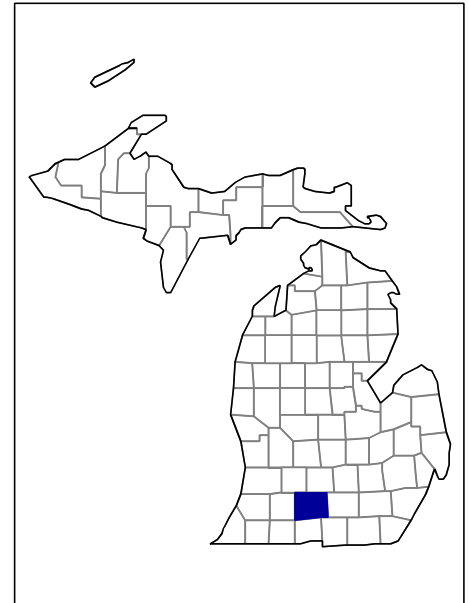
\$56,184 in 2002, \$49,623 in 1997, up 13 percent.

### Government Payments

\$3,437,000 in 2002, \$3,190,000 in 1997, up 8 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$7,505 in 2002, \$5,272 in 1997, up 42 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 83 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	64,443	20	83	892	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	36,169	27	83	722	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	28,273	16	83	984	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	27,553	15	80	519	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,436	39	81	642	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	102	46	82	1,238	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	5,643	19	81	432	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	108	36	80	411	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,328	40	83	990	3,046
Poultry and eggs	19	46	80	1,729	2,918
Cattle and calves	7,025	12	82	1,251	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	9,640	23	76	385	2,493
Hogs and pigs	11,172	5	79	266	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	98	19	81	819	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	263	33	82	842	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	38	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	56	56	79	1,111	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	37,849	5	78	348	2,926
Cattle and calves	16,595	21	83	1,643	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,358	14	83	354	3,065
Sheep and lambs	2,163	9	80	521	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,423	30	81	1,152	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Soybeans	69,339	13	61	433	2,076
Corn for grain	65,608	9	80	381	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	16,372	29	83	1,285	3,059
All Wheat for grain	12,605	14	73	563	2,517
Corn for silage	3,560	24	79	490	2,307

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	344	Farming	609
\$1,000 to \$2,499	135	Other	538
\$2,500 to \$4,999	99		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	92	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	145	Male	1,012
\$20,000 to \$24,999	23	Female	135
\$25,000 to \$39,999	77		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	39	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	70		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	72	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	25	White	1,627
\$500,000 or more	26	Black or African American	2
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	59,295	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Average per farm (\$)	51,832	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	10,947	More than one race	14
Average per farm (\$)	9,569	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	15

(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.