

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Kalamazoo, Michigan

### Number of farms

808 farms in 2002, 809 farms in 1997, down slightly.

### Land in farms

148,206 acres in 2002, 154,185 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

### Average size of farm

183 acres in 2002, 191 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$154,580,000 in 2002, \$117,113,000 in 1997, up 32 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$109,007,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$45,573,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

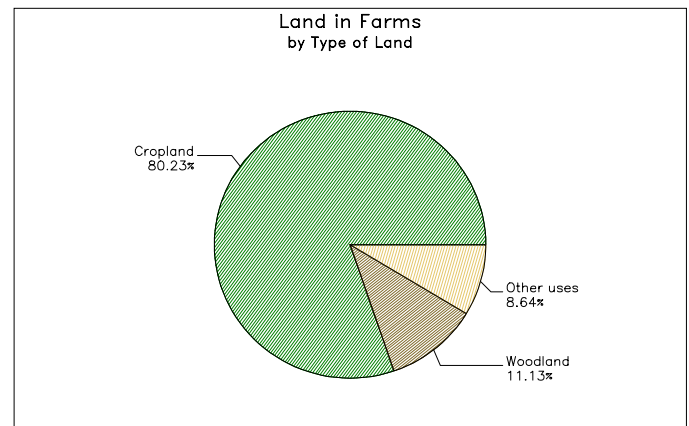
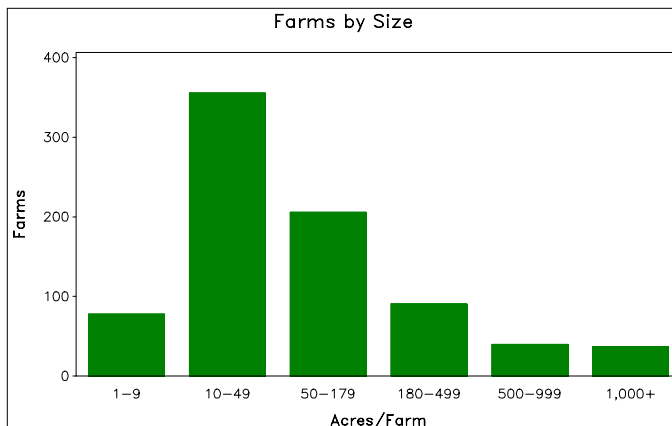
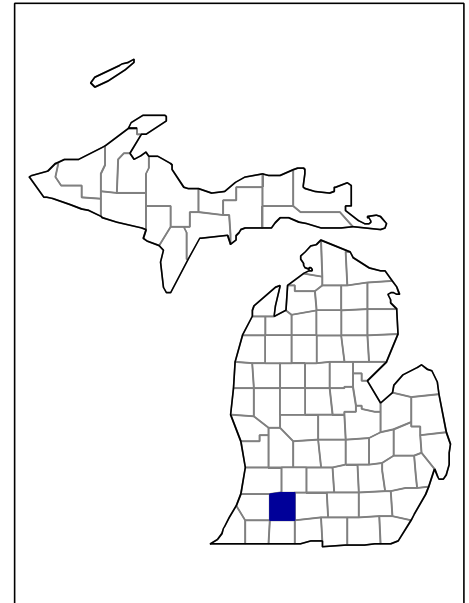
\$191,312 in 2002, \$144,762 in 1997, up 32 percent.

### Government Payments

\$2,015,000 in 2002, \$1,649,000 in 1997, up 22 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,328 in 2002, \$6,648 in 1997, up 40 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	154,580	4	83	234	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	109,007	4	83	109	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	45,573	8	83	622	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	20,309	22	80	667	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	81	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	912	20	82	376	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	85,385	2	81	29	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	90	40	80	474	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	83	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	80	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	3,805	24	82	1,730	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	11,456	18	76	330	2,493
Hogs and pigs	6,829	9	79	396	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	224	7	81	399	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	353	24	82	606	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	38	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	339,023	5	81	207	2,983
Hogs and pigs	34,737	7	78	369	2,926
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	4	78	(D)	2,599
Cattle and calves	12,655	28	83	1,867	3,059
Sheep and lambs	5,814	3	80	199	2,867
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	46,469	22	80	527	2,592
Soybeans	38,208	26	61	638	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	11,634	45	83	1,619	3,059
All Wheat for grain	4,069	29	73	1,002	2,517
Corn for silage	3,552	25	79	491	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	203	Farming	459
\$1,000 to \$2,499	93	Other	349
\$2,500 to \$4,999	94		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	92	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	55	Male	700
\$20,000 to \$24,999	22	Female	108
\$25,000 to \$39,999	37		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	17	Average age of principal operator (years)	52.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	39		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	51	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	36	White	1,230
\$500,000 or more	69	Black or African American	3
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	136,382	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
Average per farm (\$)	168,790	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	24,990	More than one race	6
Average per farm (\$)	30,929	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	20

(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.