



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Sanilac, Michigan

Number of farms

1,595 farms in 2002, 1,634 farms in 1997, down 2 percent.

Land in farms

434,738 acres in 2002, 443,475 acres in 1997, down 2 percent.

Average size of farm

273 acres in 2002, 271 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$136,893,000 in 2002, \$133,984,000 in 1997, up 2 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$76,898,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$59,995,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

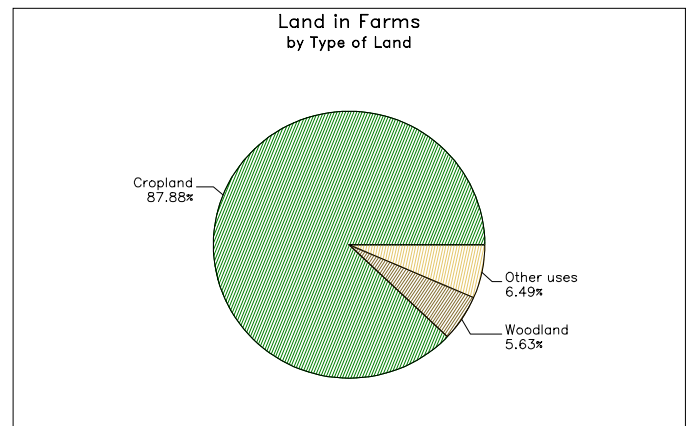
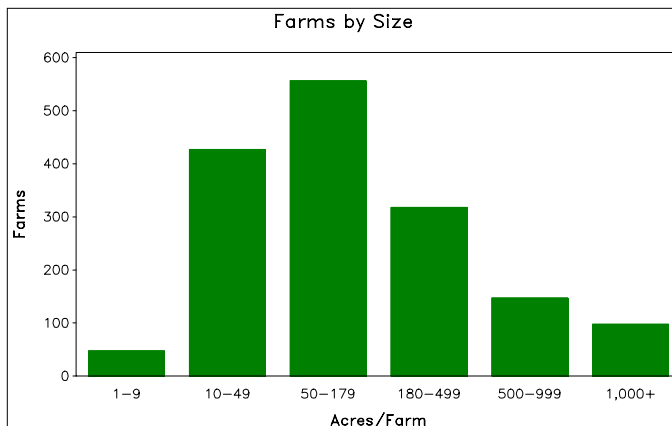
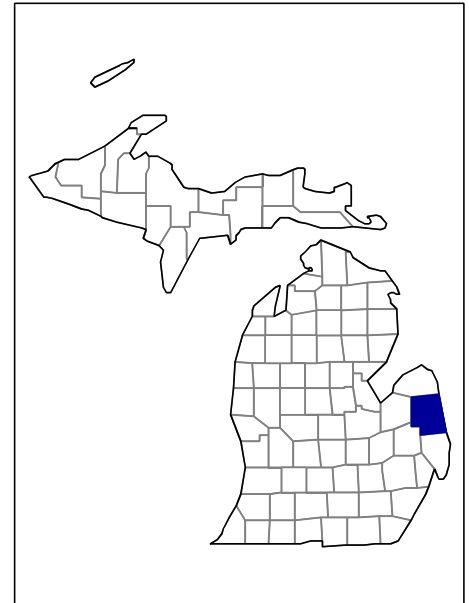
\$85,826 in 2002, \$81,998 in 1997, up 5 percent.

Government Payments

\$8,140,000 in 2002, \$5,004,000 in 1997, up 63 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,443 in 2002, \$5,499 in 1997, up 72 percent.



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Ranked items among the 83 state counties 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	136,893	6	83	297	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	76,898	10	83	232	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	59,995	5	83	438	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	54,164	2	80	194	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	984	46	81	762	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	262	32	82	784	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	3,797	24	81	541	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	58	50	80	586	1,774
Other crops and hay	17,633	2	83	84	3,046
Poultry and eggs	197	17	80	1,206	2,918
Cattle and calves	16,200	2	82	652	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	42,109	3	76	104	2,493
Hogs and pigs	682	30	79	965	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	134	13	81	639	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	367	22	82	586	3,014
Aquaculture	77	9	38	628	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	230	22	79	543	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	56,732	2	83	465	3,059
Pheasants	13,624	1	60	30	1,541
Hogs and pigs	5,372	25	78	880	2,926
Colonies of bees	3,425	8	75	172	2,392
Layers 20 weeks old and older	3,056	18	81	878	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	125,267	2	61	141	2,076
Corn for grain	78,403	6	80	302	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	47,899	1	83	324	3,059
All Wheat for grain	34,100	1	73	328	2,517
Sugarbeets for sugar	20,719	3	28	21	158

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	477
\$1,000 to \$2,499	114
\$2,500 to \$4,999	98
\$5,000 to \$9,999	99
\$10,000 to \$19,999	113
\$20,000 to \$24,999	63
\$25,000 to \$39,999	114
\$40,000 to \$49,999	34
\$50,000 to \$99,999	153
\$100,000 to \$249,999	161
\$250,000 to \$499,999	115
\$500,000 or more	54
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	112,104
Average per farm (\$)	70,373
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	39,565
Average per farm (\$)	24,837

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	1,063
Other	532
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,477
Female	118
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.3
All operators ² by race:	
White	2,266
Black or African American	1
American Indian or Alaska Native	6
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	2
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	37

(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.