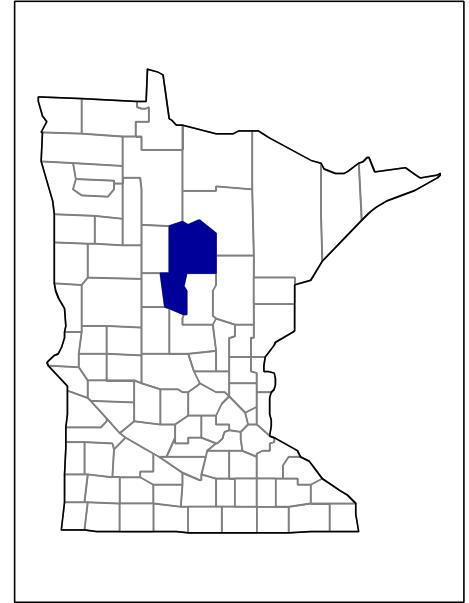


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Number of farms

646 farms in 2002, 677 farms in 1997, down 5 percent.

Land in farms

197,153 acres in 2002, 207,438 acres in 1997, down 5 percent.

Average size of farm

305 acres in 2002, 306 acres in 1997, down slightly.

Market Value of Production

\$14,326,000 in 2002, \$20,982,000 in 1997, down 32 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$3,949,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$10,378,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

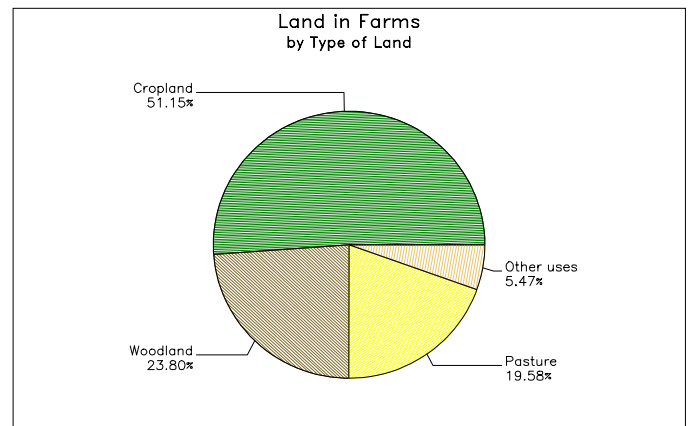
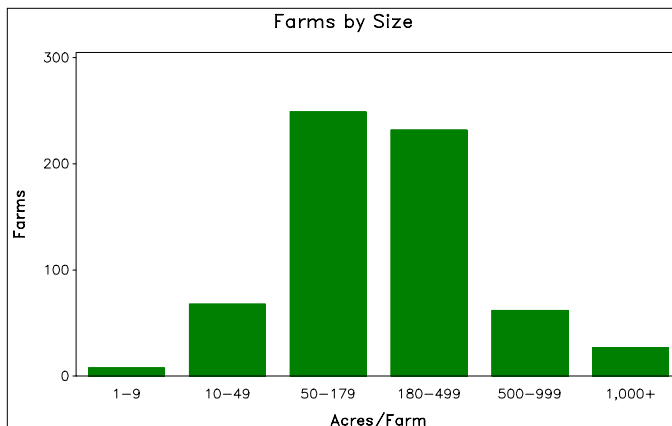
\$22,177 in 2002, \$30,993 in 1997, down 28 percent.

Government Payments

\$300,000 in 2002, \$289,000 in 1997, up 4 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,376 in 2002, \$2,093 in 1997, up 61 percent.



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Ranked items among the 87 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	14,326	77	87	2,301	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	3,949	81	87	2,204	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	10,378	63	87	1,852	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,197	79	85	1,729	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	425	50	86	1,060	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	83	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	194	53	81	1,832	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	2,036	34	87	623	3,046
Poultry and eggs	71	63	87	1,387	2,918
Cattle and calves	6,434	48	86	1,318	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	2,994	58	84	836	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	35	69	85	1,512	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	256	19	85	871	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	280	21	85	459	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	23,983	36	87	1,282	3,059
Horses and ponies	1,925	15	87	525	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,051	46	86	1,356	2,983
Pheasants	689	21	65	362	1,541
Sheep and lambs	567	72	85	1,368	2,867
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	55,919	9	87	228	3,059
Corn for silage	2,824	45	84	597	2,307
Corn for grain	2,646	73	84	1,485	2,592
Soybeans	(D)	76	84	(D)	2,076
Cut Christmas trees	900	5	57	102	1,877

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	191
\$1,000 to \$2,499	82
\$2,500 to \$4,999	58
\$5,000 to \$9,999	88
\$10,000 to \$19,999	84
\$20,000 to \$24,999	25
\$25,000 to \$39,999	34
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13
\$50,000 to \$99,999	43
\$100,000 to \$249,999	21
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4
\$500,000 or more	3
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	11,968
Average per farm (\$)	18,498
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,652
Average per farm (\$)	2,554

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	365
Other	281
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	587
Female	59
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.5
All operators ² by race:	
White	960
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	6
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	1
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	1

(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.