



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Dakota, Minnesota

Number of farms

997 farms in 2002, 962 farms in 1997, up 4 percent.

Land in farms

235,763 acres in 2002, 226,753 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

Average size of farm

236 acres in 2002, 236 acres in 1997, unchanged.

Market Value of Production

\$112,000,000 in 2002, \$103,587,000 in 1997, up 8 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$74,480,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$37,521,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

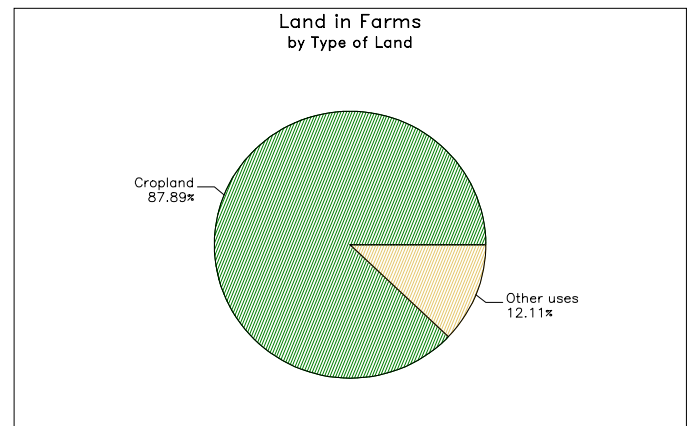
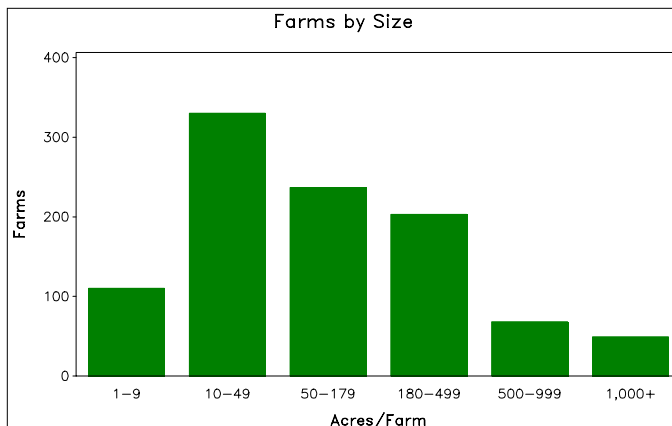
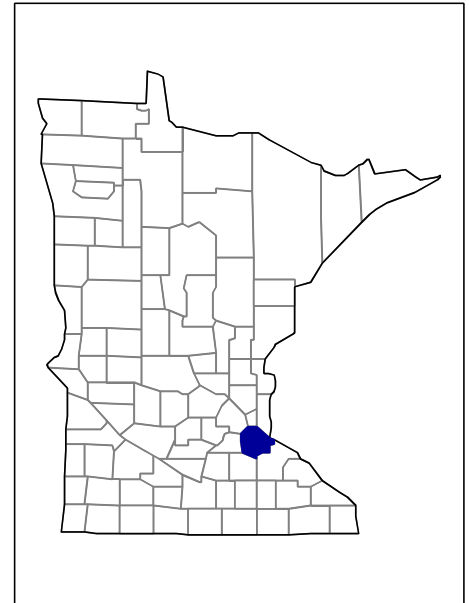
\$112,337 in 2002, \$107,679 in 1997, up 4 percent.

Government Payments

\$3,003,000 in 2002, \$2,958,000 in 1997, up 2 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$7,415 in 2002, \$6,334 in 1997, up 17 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	112,000	33	87	419	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	74,480	26	87	255	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	37,521	43	87	783	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	41,471	44	85	331	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	9,239	10	86	184	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	83	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	22,140	3	81	124	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,155	57	87	1,108	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	19,951	11	86	518	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	9,202	31	84	403	2,493
Hogs and pigs	5,337	41	87	460	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	97	42	85	832	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	487	4	85	398	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	127	42	85	772	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	(D)	33	82	(D)	2,328
Cattle and calves	29,579	25	87	1,077	3,059
Hogs and pigs	24,599	39	86	467	2,926
Horses and ponies	1,846	17	87	548	3,065
Ducks	1,329	3	83	90	2,630
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	89,024	36	84	255	2,592
Soybeans	71,224	48	84	416	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,017	52	87	1,502	3,059
All Vegetables harvested	9,911	9	84	67	2,710
Green peas	5,431	2	58	9	821

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	262
\$1,000 to \$2,499	89
\$2,500 to \$4,999	57
\$5,000 to \$9,999	80
\$10,000 to \$19,999	76
\$20,000 to \$24,999	40
\$25,000 to \$39,999	49
\$40,000 to \$49,999	39
\$50,000 to \$99,999	96
\$100,000 to \$249,999	98
\$250,000 to \$499,999	67
\$500,000 or more	44
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	88,601
Average per farm (\$)	88,601
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	31,676
Average per farm (\$)	31,676

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	594
Other	403
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	890
Female	107
Average age of principal operator (years)	53.4
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,364
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	30
More than one race	5
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	29

(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.