



# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Brown, Minnesota

### Number of farms

1,047 farms in 2002, 1,064 farms in 1997, down 2 percent.

### Land in farms

348,187 acres in 2002, 350,319 acres in 1997, down 1 percent.

### Average size of farm

333 acres in 2002, 329 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$165,408,000 in 2002, \$181,549,000 in 1997, down 9 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$72,839,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$92,569,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

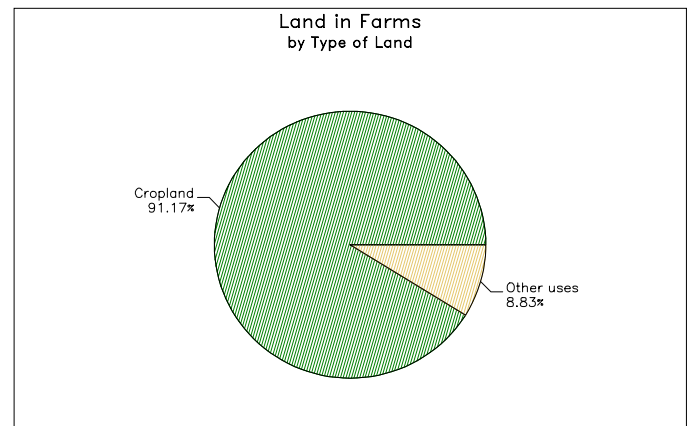
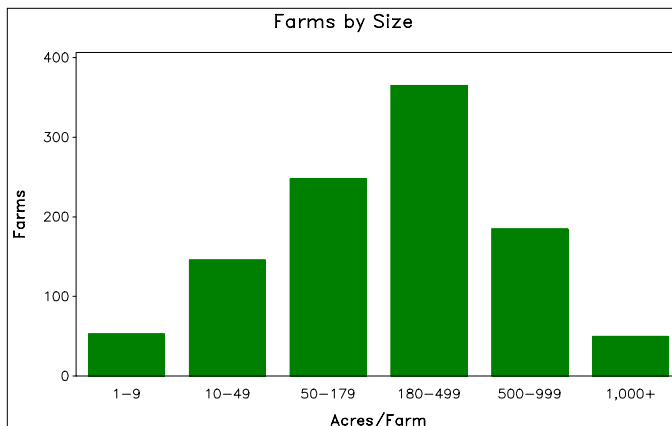
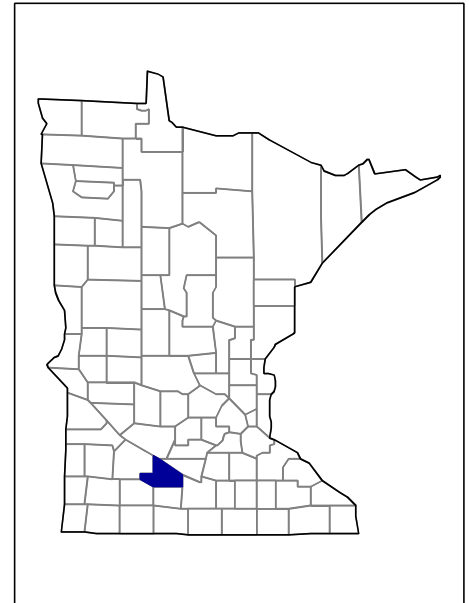
\$157,983 in 2002, \$170,629 in 1997, down 7 percent.

### Government Payments

\$4,631,000 in 2002, \$4,818,000 in 1997, down 4 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$6,912 in 2002, \$5,956 in 1997, up 16 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 87 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	165,408	15	87	207	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	72,839	28	87	265	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	92,569	12	87	235	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	62,354	24	85	152	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	9,792	9	86	177	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	83	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	81	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	62	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	677	74	87	1,621	3,046
Poultry and eggs	6,136	26	87	569	2,918
Cattle and calves	22,567	8	86	437	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	12,246	23	84	321	2,493
Hogs and pigs	51,442	8	87	39	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	113	38	85	737	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	56	64	85	2,289	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	46	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	8	80	85	1,930	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	241,887	5	86	39	2,926
Turkeys	178,601	20	82	124	2,328
Cattle and calves	37,946	16	87	826	3,059
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	8,444	13	84	658	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,986	30	86	1,009	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	133,676	19	84	117	2,592
Soybeans	129,966	22	84	118	2,076
All Vegetables harvested	11,221	6	84	58	2,710
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	11,182	58	87	1,665	3,059
Sweet corn	7,278	6	76	16	2,279

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	150
\$1,000 to \$2,499	40
\$2,500 to \$4,999	20
\$5,000 to \$9,999	36
\$10,000 to \$19,999	71
\$20,000 to \$24,999	24
\$25,000 to \$39,999	82
\$40,000 to \$49,999	60
\$50,000 to \$99,999	183
\$100,000 to \$249,999	215
\$250,000 to \$499,999	96
\$500,000 or more	70
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	148,449
Average per farm (\$)	140,710
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	28,304
Average per farm (\$)	26,828

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	809
Other	238
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,015
Female	32
Average age of principal operator (years)	52.2
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	1,403
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	7

(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.