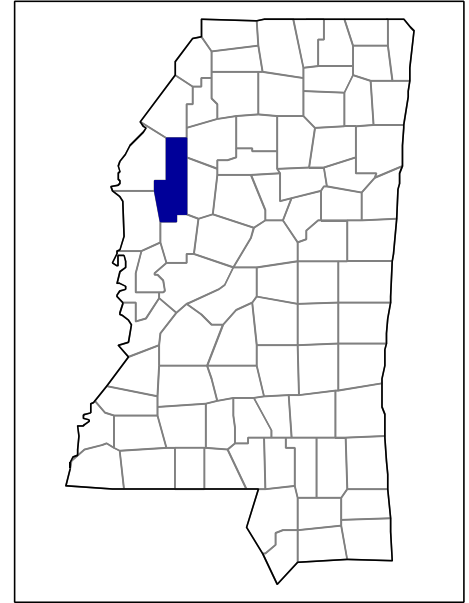


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Number of farms

343 farms in 2002, 403 farms in 1997, down 15 percent.

Land in farms

336,464 acres in 2002, 357,905 acres in 1997, down 6 percent.

Average size of farm

981 acres in 2002, 888 acres in 1997, up 10 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$119,100,000 in 2002, \$166,387,000 in 1997, down 28 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$69,261,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$49,838,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

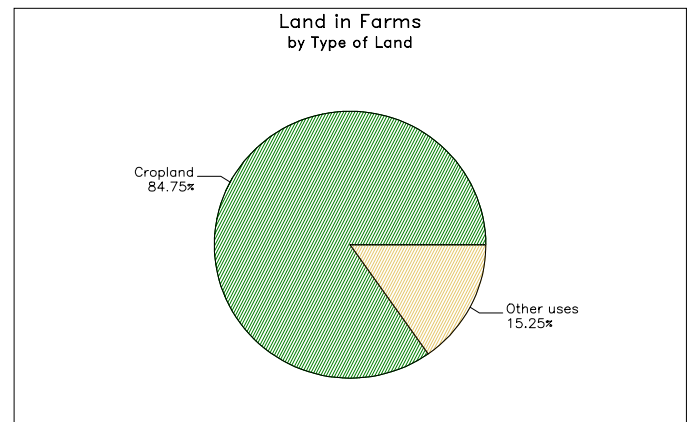
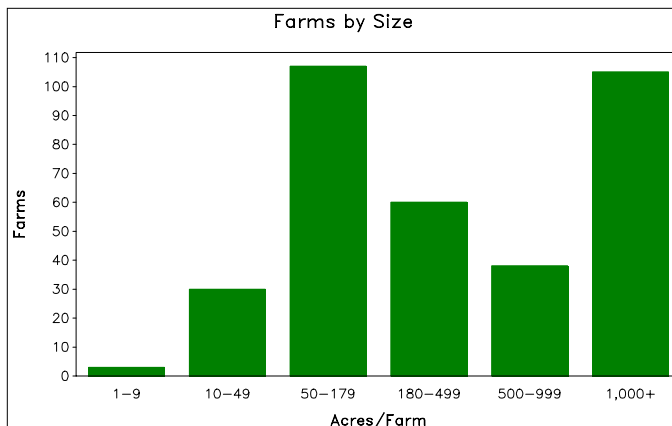
\$347,230 in 2002, \$412,872 in 1997, down 16 percent.

Government Payments

\$11,337,000 in 2002, \$5,262,000 in 1997, up 115 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$58,437 in 2002, \$19,855 in 1997, up 194 percent.



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Ranked items among the 82 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	119,100	7	82	384	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	69,261	4	82	293	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	49,838	12	82	552	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	42,011	3	82	324	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	25,412	7	61	40	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	77	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	76	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	62	48	70	2,213	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	47	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	39	76	82	2,929	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	72	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	160	77	81	2,930	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	62	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	77	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	48,444	1	47	1	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	61	-	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	29	77	(D)	2,983
Hogs and pigs	(D)	14	78	(D)	2,926
Cattle and calves	1,232	76	81	2,903	3,059
Horses and ponies	94	77	82	2,970	3,065
Emus	(D)	11	40	(D)	1,406
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	115,254	3	67	185	2,076
All Cotton	67,395	6	62	47	663
Rice	42,664	2	25	28	150
Corn for grain	21,328	8	82	798	2,592
All Wheat for grain	15,403	2	69	512	2,517

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	61	Farming	240
\$1,000 to \$2,499	16	Other	103
\$2,500 to \$4,999	21		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	16	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	35	Male	312
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1	Female	31
\$25,000 to \$39,999	22		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	52.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	13		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	31	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	41	White	421
\$500,000 or more	77	Black or African American	53
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	112,772	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	328,781	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	22,976	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	66,985	All operators ² 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.

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.