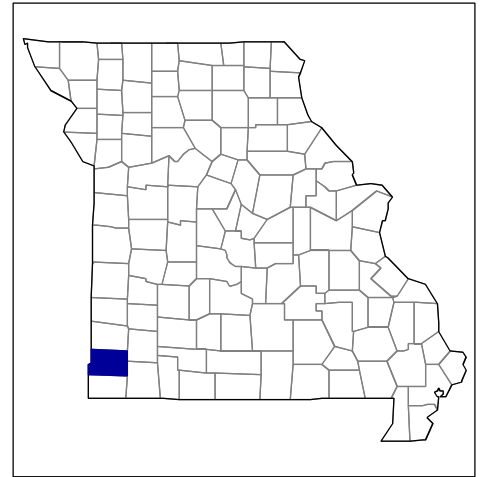




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Number of farms

1,752 farms in 2002, 1,832 farms in 1997, down 4 percent.

Land in farms

268,670 acres in 2002, 268,479 acres in 1997, up slightly.

Average size of farm

153 acres in 2002, 147 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$137,647,000 in 2002, \$124,611,000 in 1997, up 10 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$6,711,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$130,936,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

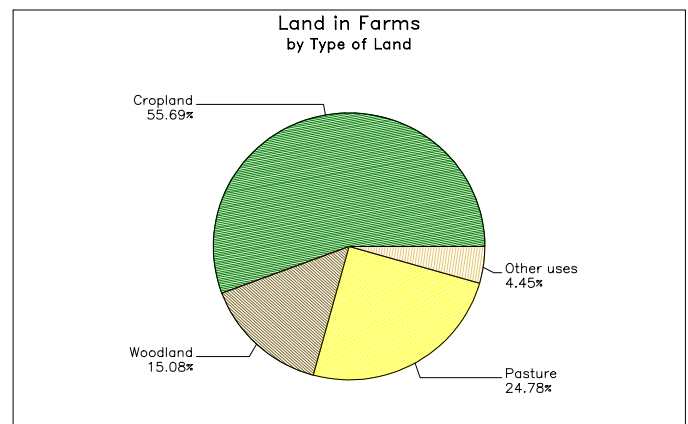
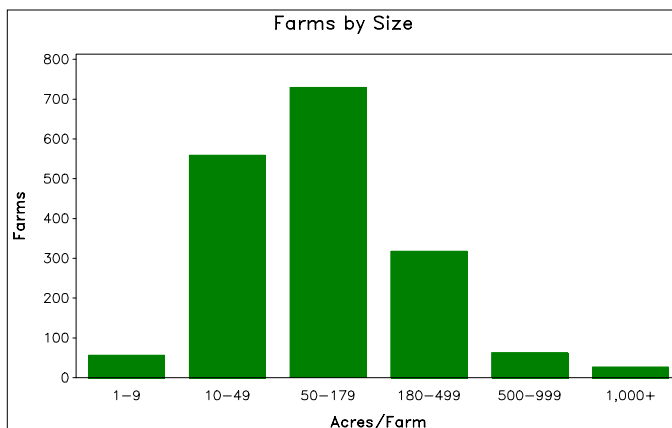
\$78,565 in 2002, \$68,019 in 1997, up 16 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,062,000 in 2002, \$582,000 in 1997, up 82 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$2,560 in 2002, \$2,551 in 1997, up slightly.



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Ranked items among the 114 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	137,647	2	114	295	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	6,711	73	114	1,915	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	130,936	2	114	129	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,072	82	112	1,755	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	20	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	8	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,728	3	104	455	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	105	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	108	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	15	25	61	1,065	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,969	20	114	652	3,046
Poultry and eggs	106,698	2	114	44	2,918
Cattle and calves	17,699	19	114	591	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	5,966	15	109	547	2,493
Hogs and pigs	28	103	112	1,922	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	27	65	113	1,710	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	510	12	113	381	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	107	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	4,201,939	3	108	98	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	1	113	(D)	2,983
Turkeys	814,375	3	100	31	2,328
Cattle and calves	79,015	9	114	241	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,839	5	114	242	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	71,088	8	114	124	3,059
All Field and grass seed crops	9,263	12	108	32	1,293
All Wheat for grain	3,762	50	111	1,032	2,517
All Vegetables harvested	3,707	4	104	177	2,710
Snap beans	3,486	1	58	17	1,833

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	296
\$1,000 to \$2,499	298
\$2,500 to \$4,999	256
\$5,000 to \$9,999	303
\$10,000 to \$19,999	215
\$20,000 to \$24,999	57
\$25,000 to \$39,999	68
\$40,000 to \$49,999	36
\$50,000 to \$99,999	75
\$100,000 to \$249,999	59
\$250,000 to \$499,999	31
\$500,000 or more	58
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	136,847
Average per farm (\$)	78,243
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	3,340
Average per farm (\$)	1,910

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	1,045
Other	707
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,575
Female	177
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.4
All operators ² by race:	
White	2,554
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	40
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	6
Asian	3
More than one race	15
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	22

(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.