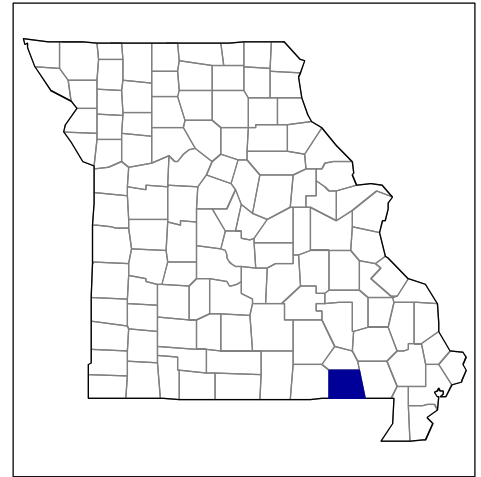




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Number of farms

478 farms in 2002, 533 farms in 1997, down 10 percent.

Land in farms

140,171 acres in 2002, 162,822 acres in 1997, down 14 percent.

Average size of farm

293 acres in 2002, 305 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$9,649,000 in 2002, \$11,387,000 in 1997, down 15 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$4,600,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$5,049,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

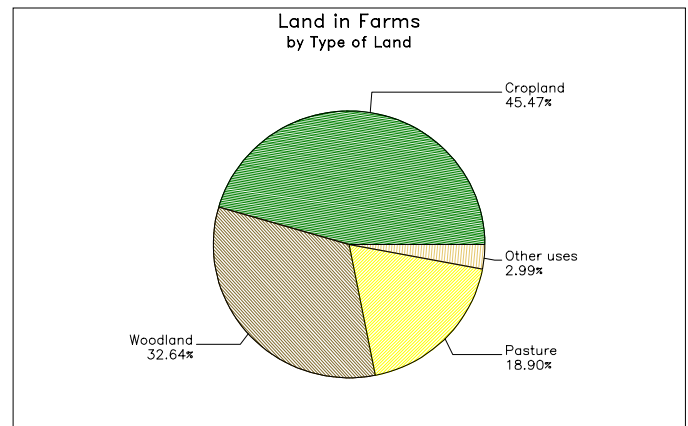
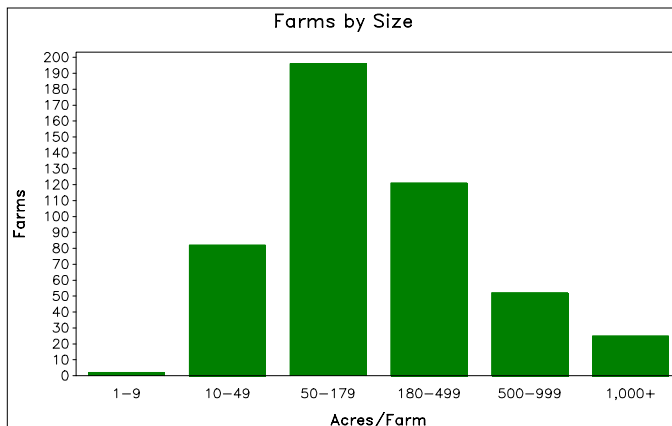
\$20,187 in 2002, \$21,364 in 1997, down 6 percent.

Government Payments

\$507,000 in 2002, \$508,000 in 1997, down slightly.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,571 in 2002, \$5,978 in 1997, down 40 percent.



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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	9,649	106	114	2,523	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	4,600	81	114	2,115	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,049	104	114	2,343	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,878	78	112	1,439	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	20	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	8	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	104	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	105	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,162	20	108	1,031	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	61	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	114	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	114	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	4,232	98	114	1,656	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	52	104	109	2,247	2,493
Hogs and pigs	312	81	112	1,139	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	8	99	113	2,404	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	113	(D)	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)					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	19	113	(D)	2,983
Cattle and calves	18,160	96	114	1,551	3,059
Hogs and pigs	1,162	83	112	1,302	2,926
Horses and ponies	730	83	114	1,682	3,065
All Goats	346	48	113	1,351	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	17,152	96	114	1,237	3,059
Soybeans	11,644	74	103	998	2,076
Rice	3,293	6	10	87	150
Corn for grain	1,224	85	107	1,736	2,592
All Wheat for grain	1,032	80	111	1,532	2,517

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	100
\$1,000 to \$2,499	62
\$2,500 to \$4,999	65
\$5,000 to \$9,999	85
\$10,000 to \$19,999	68
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12
\$25,000 to \$39,999	38
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	18
\$100,000 to \$249,999	14
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4
\$500,000 or more	3
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	10,089
Average per farm (\$)	21,019
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-1,007
Average per farm (\$)	-2,097

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	294
Other	184
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	442
Female	36
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.5
All operators ² by race:	
White	674
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	9
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	3
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2

(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.