

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Deer Lodge, Montana

Number of farms

109 farms in 2002, 102 farms in 1997, up 7 percent.

Land in farms

134,997 acres in 2002, 106,994 acres in 1997, up 26 percent.

Average size of farm

1,239 acres in 2002, 1,049 acres in 1997, up 18 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$4,295,000 in 2002, \$4,340,000 in 1997, down 1 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$646,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$3,649,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

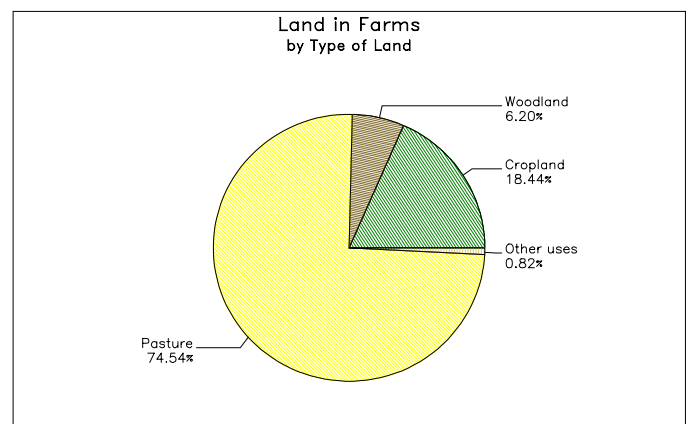
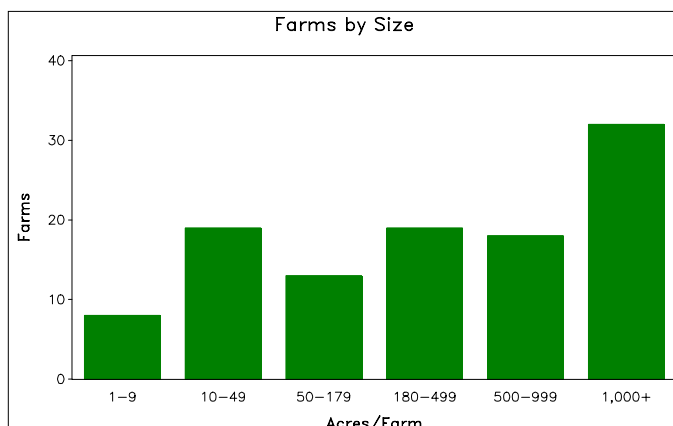
\$39,407 in 2002, \$42,546 in 1997, down 7 percent.

Government Payments

\$49,000 in 2002, \$64,000 in 1997, down 23 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$4,093 in 2002, \$3,213 in 1997, up 27 percent.



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Ranked items among the 56 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	4,295	53	56	2,807	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	646	54	56	2,854	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	3,649	53	56	2,493	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	41	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	22	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	41	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	8	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	501	48	56	1,900	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	3,430	53	56	1,813	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	46	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	-	-	53	-	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	14	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	52	-	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	8,739	53	56	2,163	3,059
Sheep and lambs	1,065	42	56	929	2,867
Horses and ponies	378	54	56	2,425	3,065
Mules, burros, and donkeys	11	43	53	1,846	2,649
Turkeys	(D)	35	43	(D)	2,328
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,133	50	56	1,495	3,059
All Wheat for grain	(D)	52	54	(D)	2,517
Barley	(D)	51	55	(D)	1,246
Oats	(D)	50	55	(D)	2,215
Potatoes	(D)	11	36	(D)	1,551

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	45	Farming	58
\$1,000 to \$2,499	2	Other	51
\$2,500 to \$4,999	7		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	8	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	11	Male	98
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1	Female	11
\$25,000 to \$39,999	8		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	14		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	8	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2	White	162
\$500,000 or more	1	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	4,813	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Average per farm (\$)	43,759	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-283	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	-2,571	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	5

(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.