

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

McCone, Montana

Number of farms

496 farms in 2002, 466 farms in 1997, up 6 percent.

Land in farms

1,346,271 acres in 2002, 1,325,778 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

Average size of farm

2,714 acres in 2002, 2,845 acres in 1997, down 5 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$29,655,000 in 2002, \$29,881,000 in 1997, down 1 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$17,461,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$12,193,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

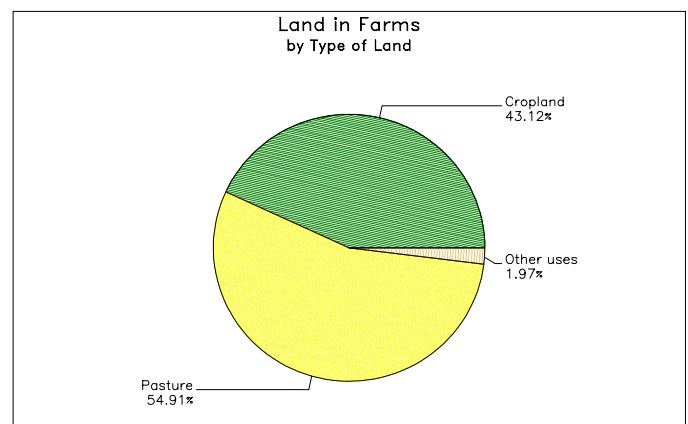
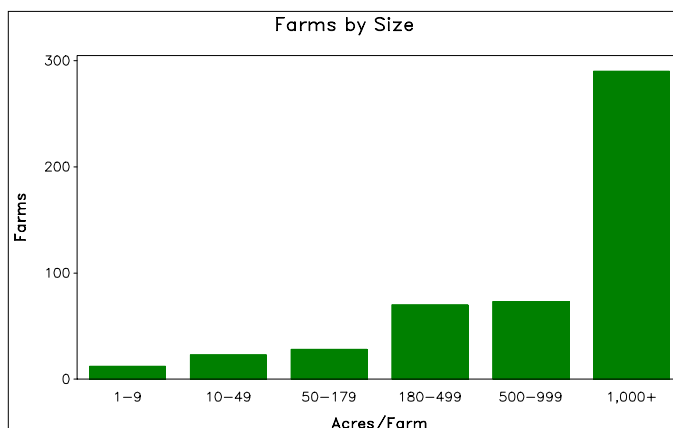
\$59,788 in 2002, \$64,122 in 1997, down 7 percent.

Government Payments

\$6,032,000 in 2002, \$7,677,000 in 1997, down 21 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$16,663 in 2002, \$19,785 in 1997, down 16 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	29,655	29	56	1,710	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	17,461	21	56	1,276	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	12,193	37	56	1,708	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	16,013	14	55	784	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	41	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	22	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	41	-	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	8	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,448	32	56	899	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	11,426	35	56	891	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	33	35	53	1,850	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	600	8	56	153	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	99	40	56	1,769	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	14	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	52	-	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	33,771	33	56	951	3,059
Sheep and lambs	6,997	14	56	167	2,867
Horses and ponies	1,034	38	56	1,237	3,065
Pheasants	(D)	8	26	(D)	1,541
Layers 20 weeks old and older	282	44	54	2,289	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Wheat for grain	191,663	9	54	42	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	48,809	22	56	314	3,059
Barley	8,485	26	55	115	1,246
Safflower	3,963	4	21	15	112
Mustard seed	2,469	4	16	18	92

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	127	Farming	345
\$1,000 to \$2,499	16	Other	151
\$2,500 to \$4,999	17		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	28	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	38	Male	437
\$20,000 to \$24,999	19	Female	59
\$25,000 to \$39,999	38		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	31	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	78		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	78	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	24	White	732
\$500,000 or more	2	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	28,858	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
Average per farm (\$)	58,418	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	9,292	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	18,810	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.