

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Hamilton, Nebraska

Number of farms

603 farms in 2002, 697 farms in 1997, down 13 percent.

Land in farms

348,178 acres in 2002, 353,440 acres in 1997, down 1 percent.

Average size of farm

577 acres in 2002, 507 acres in 1997, up 14 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$157,832,000 in 2002, \$153,370,000 in 1997, up 3 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$95,106,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$62,725,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

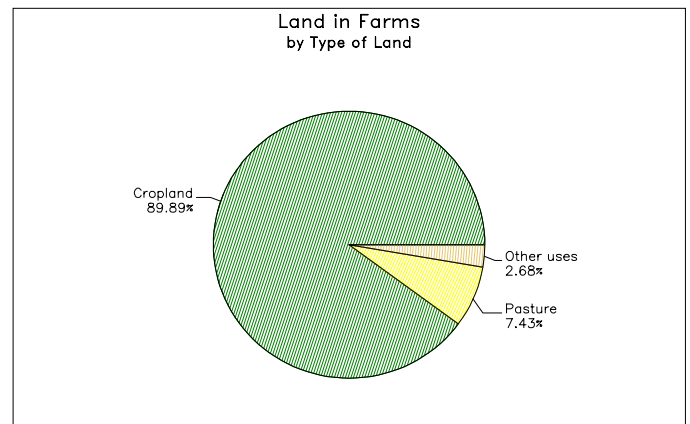
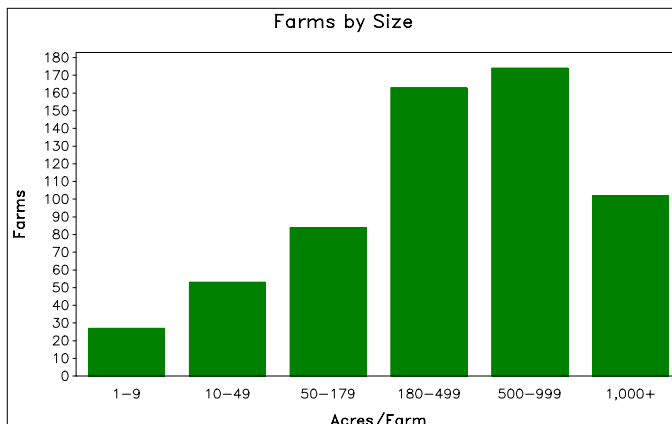
\$261,744 in 2002, \$220,043 in 1997, up 19 percent.

Government Payments

\$5,479,000 in 2002, \$6,838,000 in 1997, down 20 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$13,698 in 2002, \$12,639 in 1997, up 8 percent.



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Ranked items among the 93 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	157,832	19	93	224	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	95,106	1	93	143	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	62,725	35	93	411	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	94,504	1	91	30	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	40	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	68	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	31	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	1,764	17	91	847	2,918
Cattle and calves	53,743	36	93	135	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	273	52	73	1,897	2,493
Hogs and pigs	6,297	32	91	414	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	89	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	24	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	74	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	(D)	6	58	(D)	2,328
Cattle and calves	46,607	52	93	634	3,059
Hogs and pigs	19,178	41	90	531	2,926
Sheep and lambs	926	35	90	1,034	2,867
Bison	(D)	6	58	(D)	1,321
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	192,239	2	93	23	2,592
Soybeans	94,265	19	84	281	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,805	88	93	2,083	3,059
Popcorn	4,594	7	57	14	412
Corn for silage	2,682	63	92	619	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	33
\$1,000 to \$2,499	15
\$2,500 to \$4,999	18
\$5,000 to \$9,999	17
\$10,000 to \$19,999	36
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12
\$25,000 to \$39,999	39
\$40,000 to \$49,999	16
\$50,000 to \$99,999	78
\$100,000 to \$249,999	163
\$250,000 to \$499,999	117
\$500,000 or more	59
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	131,298
Average per farm (\$)	218,466
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	36,804
Average per farm (\$)	61,237

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	502
Other	101
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	592
Female	11
Average age of principal operator (years)	51.2
All operators ² by race:	
White	844
Black or African American	2
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

(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.