

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Saunders, Nebraska

### Number of farms

1,157 farms in 2002, 1,260 farms in 1997, down 8 percent.

### Land in farms

458,329 acres in 2002, 448,954 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

### Average size of farm

396 acres in 2002, 356 acres in 1997, up 11 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$151,319,000 in 2002, \$145,888,000 in 1997, up 4 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$76,780,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$74,539,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

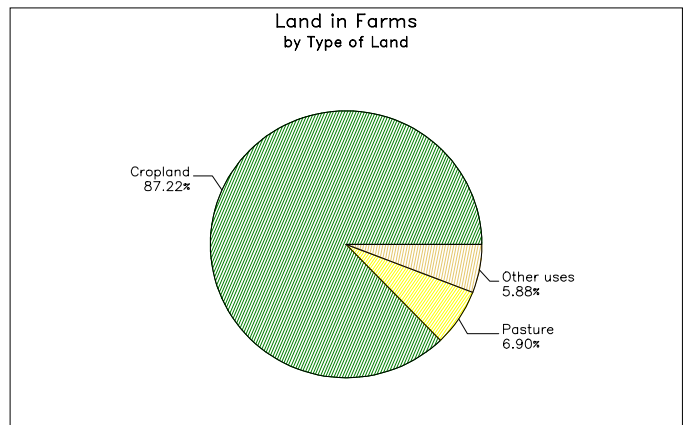
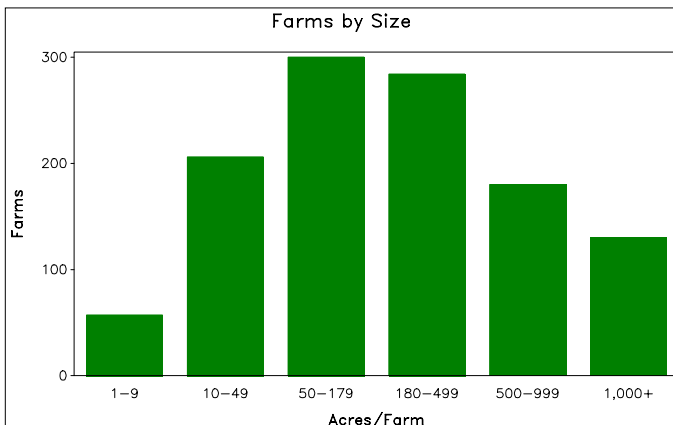
\$130,786 in 2002, \$115,784 in 1997, up 13 percent.

### Government Payments

\$5,816,000 in 2002, \$4,984,000 in 1997, up 17 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$7,859 in 2002, \$5,755 in 1997, up 37 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 93 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	151,319	21	93	242	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	76,780	7	93	233	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	74,539	26	93	322	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	71,521	9	91	105	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,611	11	66	605	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	52	5	40	1,571	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,882	5	68	826	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	25	6	31	883	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,690	41	93	771	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	70,016	24	93	99	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	824	32	73	1,445	2,493
Hogs and pigs	2,621	47	91	649	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	64	39	89	1,099	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	24	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	18	47	74	1,590	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	62,888	32	93	390	3,059
Hogs and pigs	21,761	37	90	497	2,926
Sheep and lambs	1,173	30	90	866	2,867
Horses and ponies	954	16	93	1,351	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older <sup>3</sup>	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	180,288	3	93	28	2,592
Soybeans	168,209	1	84	37	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	18,589	48	93	1,170	3,059
All Wheat for grain	2,743	46	84	1,164	2,517
Corn for silage	2,517	66	92	650	2,307

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	208	Farming	807
\$1,000 to \$2,499	56	Other	350
\$2,500 to \$4,999	68	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	86	Male	1,114
\$10,000 to \$19,999	102	Female	43
\$20,000 to \$24,999	49	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	118	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	38	White	1,573
\$50,000 to \$99,999	156	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	181	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$250,000 to \$499,999	58	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	37	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	135,584	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	117,388	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	9
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	22,815		
Average per farm (\$)	19,753		

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.

<sup>3</sup> Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.