

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Sherman, Nebraska

Number of farms

448 farms in 2002, 512 farms in 1997, down 13 percent.

Land in farms

316,260 acres in 2002, 328,930 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Average size of farm

706 acres in 2002, 642 acres in 1997, up 10 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$43,489,000 in 2002, \$44,142,000 in 1997, down 1 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$18,379,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$25,110,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

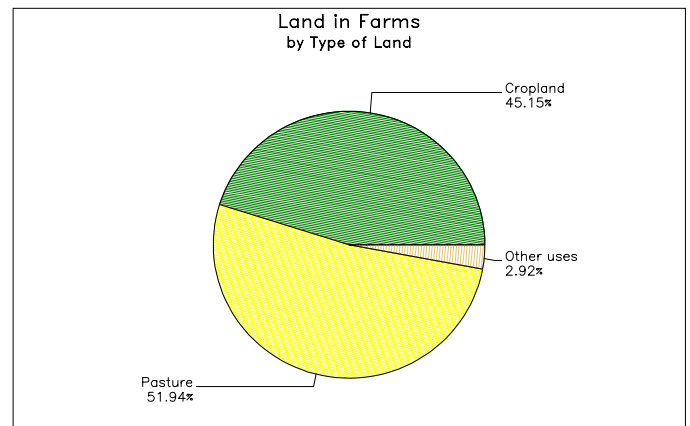
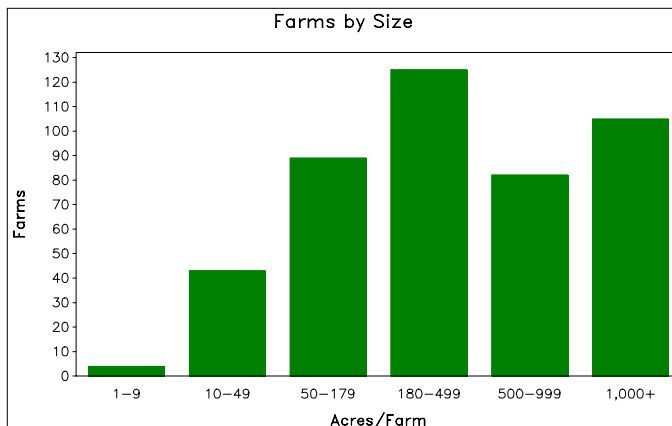
\$97,073 in 2002, \$86,215 in 1997, up 13 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,828,000 in 2002, \$2,480,000 in 1997, up 14 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,304 in 2002, \$6,722 in 1997, up 38 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	43,489	73	93	1,331	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	18,379	65	93	1,237	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	25,110	68	93	1,101	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	15,964	65	91	787	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	2	59	91	2,446	2,918
Cattle and calves	24,371	62	93	397	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	239	55	73	1,940	2,493
Hogs and pigs	405	69	91	1,084	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	54	43	89	1,196	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)					
Cattle and calves	52,127	42	93	536	3,059
Hogs and pigs	3,141	67	90	1,012	2,926
Sheep and lambs	684	49	90	1,230	2,867
Horses and ponies	319	71	93	2,575	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	313	59	93	2,232	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	44,764	60	93	534	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	37,249	20	93	542	3,059
Soybeans	13,203	61	84	962	2,076
Corn for silage	3,183	53	92	540	2,307
All Wheat for grain	928	56	84	1,567	2,517

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	66
\$1,000 to \$2,499	13
\$2,500 to \$4,999	20
\$5,000 to \$9,999	26
\$10,000 to \$19,999	38
\$20,000 to \$24,999	30
\$25,000 to \$39,999	45
\$40,000 to \$49,999	21
\$50,000 to \$99,999	65
\$100,000 to \$249,999	80
\$250,000 to \$499,999	32
\$500,000 or more	12
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	42,099
Average per farm (\$)	94,392
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	8,575
Average per farm (\$)	19,226

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	346
Other	102
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	432
Female	16
Average age of principal operator (years)	53.0
All operators ² by race:	
White	629
Black or African American	-
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	4

(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.