

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Thayer, Nebraska

Number of farms

558 farms in 2002, 599 farms in 1997, down 7 percent.

Land in farms

380,447 acres in 2002, 376,855 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

Average size of farm

682 acres in 2002, 629 acres in 1997, up 8 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$101,263,000 in 2002, \$109,026,000 in 1997, down 7 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$60,050,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$41,212,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

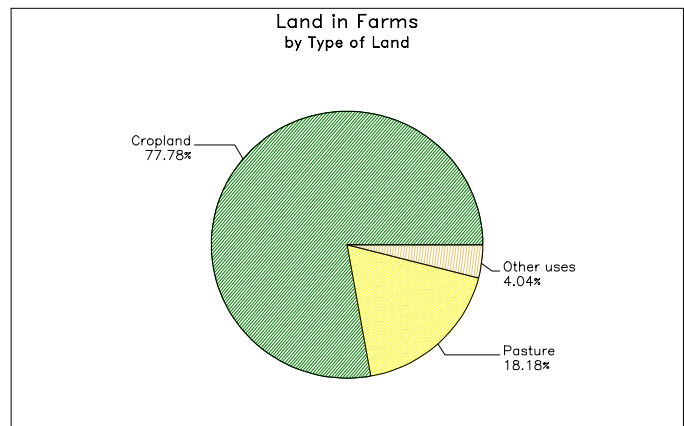
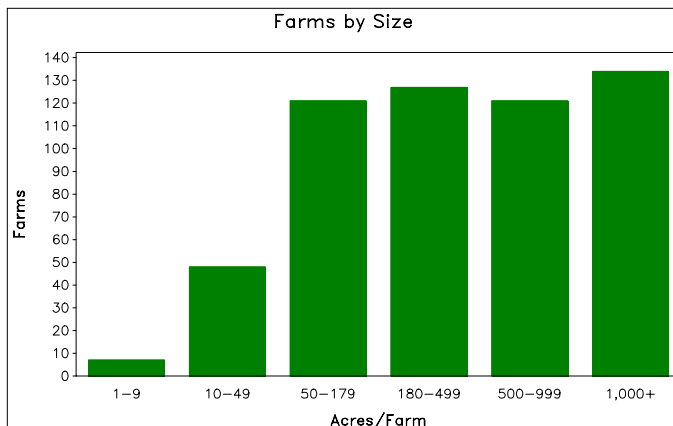
\$181,474 in 2002, \$182,014 in 1997, down slightly.

Government Payments

\$4,928,000 in 2002, \$5,271,000 in 1997, down 7 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$12,108 in 2002, \$11,264 in 1997, up 7 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	101,263	37	93	498	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	60,050	19	93	367	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	41,212	58	93	702	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	58,216	19	91	171	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	(D)	(D)	40	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	675	13	68	1,268	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	31	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	984	63	93	1,255	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	37,513	50	93	221	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	936	29	73	1,394	2,493
Hogs and pigs	2,579	48	91	651	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	89	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	126	23	93	1,562	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	40,250	62	93	769	3,059
Hogs and pigs	14,675	47	90	607	2,926
Sheep and lambs	663	52	90	1,260	2,867
Mink	(D)	2	2	(D)	117
Horses and ponies	364	65	93	2,453	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	106,927	34	93	191	2,592
Soybeans	85,370	27	84	340	2,076
Sorghum for grain	32,142	3	75	63	1,307
All Wheat for grain	26,560	20	84	390	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	14,228	63	93	1,419	3,059

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	67
\$1,000 to \$2,499	20
\$2,500 to \$4,999	23
\$5,000 to \$9,999	32
\$10,000 to \$19,999	49
\$20,000 to \$24,999	17
\$25,000 to \$39,999	33
\$40,000 to \$49,999	23
\$50,000 to \$99,999	59
\$100,000 to \$249,999	137
\$250,000 to \$499,999	72
\$500,000 or more	26
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	89,490
Average per farm (\$)	160,954
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	14,508
Average per farm (\$)	26,093

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	434
Other	124
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	533
Female	25
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.8
All operators ² by race:	
White	775
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	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.