

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Pershing, Nevada

### Number of farms

115 farms in 2002, 134 farms in 1997, down 14 percent.

### Land in farms

131,103 acres in 2002, 119,379 acres in 1997, up 10 percent.

### Average size of farm

1,140 acres in 2002, 891 acres in 1997, up 28 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$25,708,000 in 2002, \$32,626,000 in 1997, down 21 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$8,609,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$17,099,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

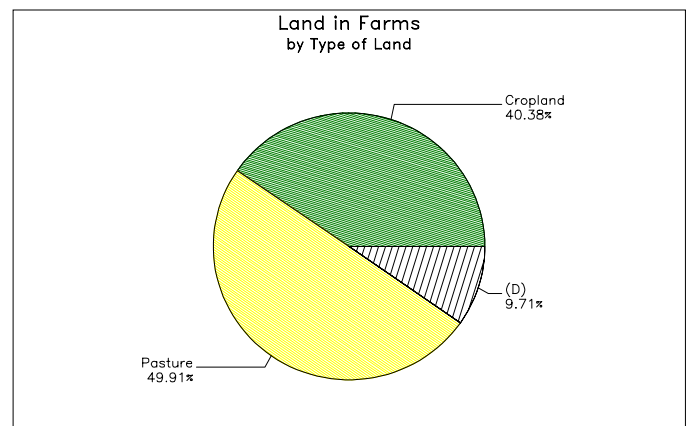
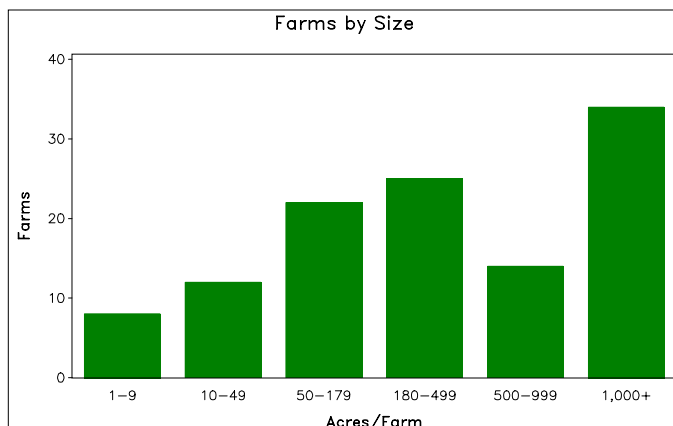
\$223,544 in 2002, \$243,479 in 1997, down 8 percent.

### Government Payments

\$218,000 in 2002, \$103,000 in 1997, up 112 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$7,502 in 2002, \$5,172 in 1997, up 45 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 17 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	25,708	6	17	1,865	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	8,609	7	16	1,761	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	17,099	7	17	1,432	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	28	8	12	2,605	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	10	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	9	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	11	-	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	2	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	8,580	6	16	160	3,046
Poultry and eggs	1	10	13	2,589	2,918
Cattle and calves	16,546	4	16	640	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	9	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	8	8	11	2,365	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	15	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	17	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	9	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	12	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	19,161	9	17	1,509	3,059
Sheep and lambs	(D)	5	14	(D)	2,867
All Goats	537	5	14	955	2,971
Horses and ponies	329	12	17	2,543	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	259	8	14	2,340	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	26,400	7	16	843	3,059
All Field and grass seed crops	2,792	2	3	82	1,293
All Wheat for grain	(D)	5	8	(D)	2,517
Oats	(D)	8	10	(D)	2,215
Corn for silage	(D)	6	7	(D)	2,307

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	11
\$1,000 to \$2,499	11
\$2,500 to \$4,999	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3
\$10,000 to \$19,999	13
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	12
\$40,000 to \$49,999	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	10
\$100,000 to \$249,999	20
\$250,000 to \$499,999	8
\$500,000 or more	8
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	23,344
Average per farm (\$)	201,242
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,247
Average per farm (\$)	36,608

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	74
Other	41
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	95
Female	20
Average age of principal operator (years)	53.0
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	189
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	1
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	17

(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.