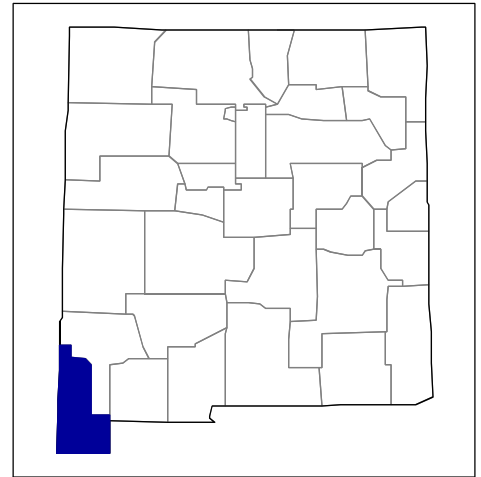


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Number of farms

144 farms in 2002, 176 farms in 1997, down 18 percent.

Land in farms

1,127,578 acres in 2002, 1,113,354 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

Average size of farm

7,830 acres in 2002, 6,326 acres in 1997, up 24 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$16,648,000 in 2002, \$20,682,000 in 1997, down 20 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$11,364,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$5,284,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

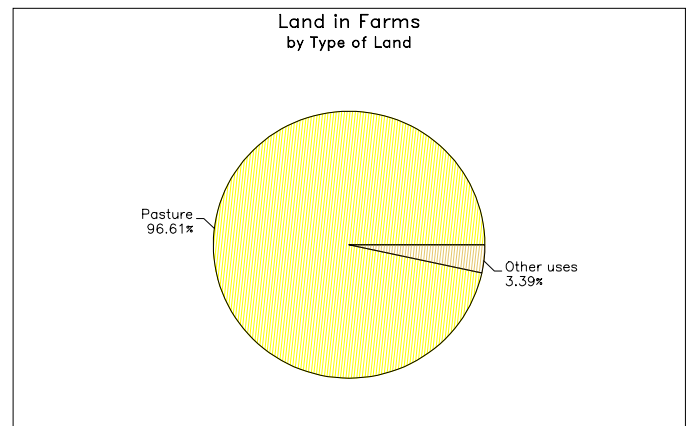
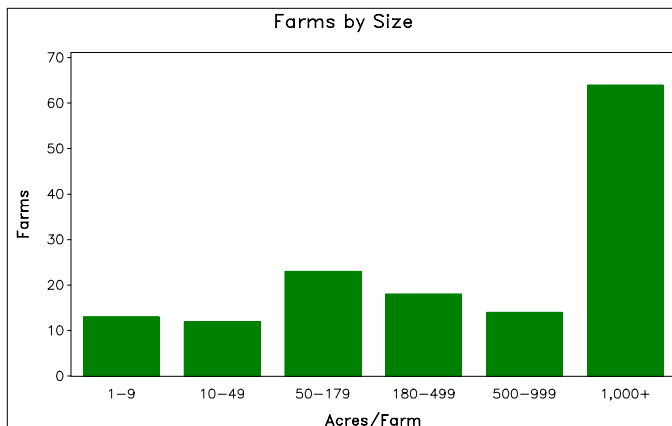
\$115,612 in 2002, \$117,509 in 1997, down 2 percent.

Government Payments

\$402,000 in 2002, \$672,000 in 1997, down 40 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$8,924 in 2002, \$11,201 in 1997, down 20 percent.



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Ranked items among the 33 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	16,648	17	33	2,219	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	11,364	10	33	1,566	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,284	27	33	2,322	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	26	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	10	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	29	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	237	13	30	820	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	29	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	10	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	207	27	33	2,511	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	30	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	5,144	24	33	1,496	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	18	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	32	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	17	26	32	2,009	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	11	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	30	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	27,459	19	33	1,139	3,059
Horses and ponies	581	29	33	1,989	3,065
Sheep and lambs	(D)	25	32	(D)	2,867
Colonies of bees	(D)	7	25	(D)	2,392
Bison	(D)	5	14	(D)	1,321
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	2,442	4	20	1,505	2,592
All Vegetables harvested	2,352	3	29	249	2,710
Chile peppers	2,144	3	24	4	1,072
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	1,169	27	33	2,859	3,059
All Cotton	(D)	9	10	(D)	663

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	36	Farming	79
\$1,000 to \$2,499	3	Other	65
\$2,500 to \$4,999	9	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	13	Male	128
\$10,000 to \$19,999	14	Female	16
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	6	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	White	216
\$50,000 to \$99,999	26	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	10	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	6	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	8	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	14,506	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	100,039	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	17
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	3,209		
Average per farm (\$)	22,134		

(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.