

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Ontario, New York

### Number of farms

896 farms in 2002, 850 farms in 1997, up 5 percent.

### Land in farms

194,742 acres in 2002, 203,242 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

### Average size of farm

217 acres in 2002, 239 acres in 1997, down 9 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$87,076,000 in 2002, \$81,198,000 in 1997, up 7 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$37,659,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$49,417,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

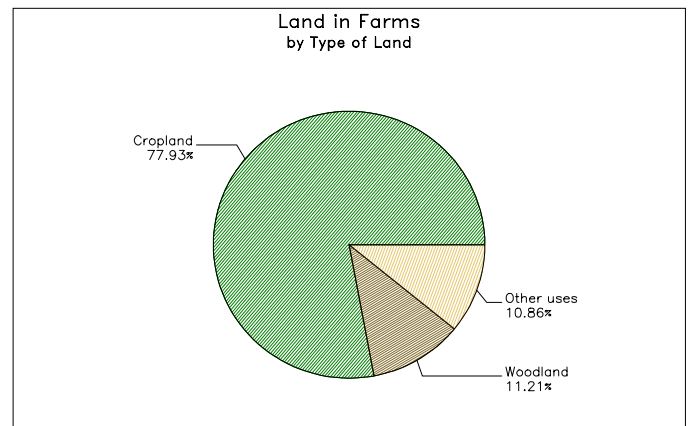
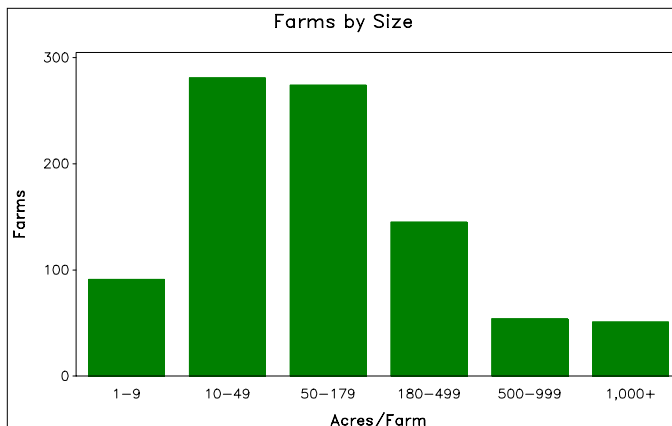
\$97,184 in 2002, \$95,527 in 1997, up 2 percent.

### Government Payments

\$3,006,000 in 2002, \$2,095,000 in 1997, up 43 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$11,388 in 2002, \$6,779 in 1997, up 68 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 62 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	87,076	10	61	637	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	37,659	9	61	683	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	49,417	16	59	561	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	10,463	4	52	985	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	17,050	7	58	114	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2,340	15	58	226	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	3,971	16	61	524	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	212	20	53	260	1,774
Other crops and hay	3,622	8	56	338	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	57	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	6,164	16	54	1,357	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	40,520	15	52	108	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	146	13	55	593	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	282	17	57	790	3,014
Aquaculture	90	15	40	601	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	29	42	55	1,366	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	10	58	(D)	2,983
Cattle and calves	35,727	17	55	896	3,059
Hogs and pigs	(D)	5	55	(D)	2,926
Sheep and lambs	2,434	13	56	463	2,867
Horses and ponies	2,023	9	58	471	3,065
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	40,328	25	57	474	3,059
Corn for grain	25,367	3	51	719	2,592
Corn for silage	13,179	17	52	104	2,307
All Wheat for grain	12,480	2	44	565	2,517
Soybeans	10,657	5	46	1,017	2,076

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	273
\$1,000 to \$2,499	91
\$2,500 to \$4,999	56
\$5,000 to \$9,999	73
\$10,000 to \$19,999	76
\$20,000 to \$24,999	31
\$25,000 to \$39,999	52
\$40,000 to \$49,999	25
\$50,000 to \$99,999	62
\$100,000 to \$249,999	84
\$250,000 to \$499,999	37
\$500,000 or more	36
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	74,869
Average per farm (\$)	83,840
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	19,469
Average per farm (\$)	21,802

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	555
Other	341
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	746
Female	150
Average age of principal operator (years)	53.5
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	1,268
Black or African American	1
American Indian or Alaska Native	9
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	6
More than one race	6
All operators <sup>2</sup> 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.

<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.