

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Pierce, North Dakota

Number of farms

487 farms in 2002, 513 farms in 1997, down 5 percent.

Land in farms

530,623 acres in 2002, 567,274 acres in 1997, down 6 percent.

Average size of farm

1,090 acres in 2002, 1,106 acres in 1997, down 1 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$36,295,000 in 2002, \$36,342,000 in 1997, down slightly.

Crop sales accounted for \$25,780,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$10,516,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

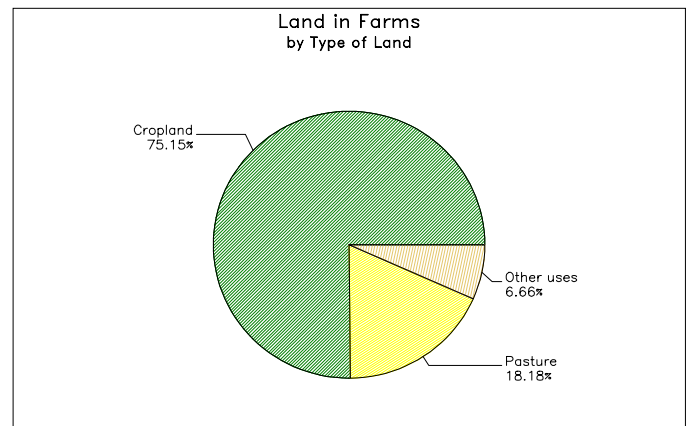
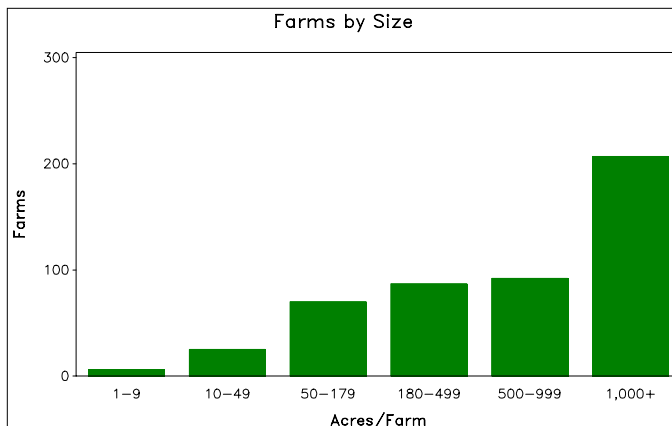
\$74,528 in 2002, \$70,842 in 1997, up 5 percent.

Government Payments

\$5,134,000 in 2002, \$4,399,000 in 1997, up 17 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$12,461 in 2002, \$10,020 in 1997, up 24 percent.



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Ranked items among the 53 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	36,295	38	53	1,524	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	25,780	32	53	981	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	10,516	33	53	1,837	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	24,886	30	53	568	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	36	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	19	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	27	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	10	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	53	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	48	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	7,716	36	53	1,183	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	45	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	11	44	51	2,280	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	30	43	53	1,627	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	29	43	53	2,632	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	4	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	110	34	52	820	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	25,282	33	53	1,227	3,059
Bison	1,420	10	51	33	1,321
Sheep and lambs	300	51	53	1,756	2,867
Horses and ponies	258	46	53	2,705	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	80	39	50	2,779	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Wheat for grain	117,405	28	53	100	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	49,348	25	53	306	3,059
Sunflower seed	36,570	11	53	12	746
Barley	36,044	12	53	29	1,246
Canola	30,566	13	49	13	165

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	162	Farming	343
\$1,000 to \$2,499	7	Other	144
\$2,500 to \$4,999	13	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	19	Male	442
\$10,000 to \$19,999	37	Female	45
\$20,000 to \$24,999	7	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	26	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	20	White	637
\$50,000 to \$99,999	63	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	104	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$250,000 to \$499,999	22	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	7	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	32,056	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	65,688	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	11,014		
Average per farm (\$)	22,569		

(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.