

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Ransom, North Dakota

Number of farms

528 farms in 2002, 527 farms in 1997, up slightly.

Land in farms

500,512 acres in 2002, 523,010 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Average size of farm

948 acres in 2002, 992 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$59,829,000 in 2002, \$61,830,000 in 1997, down 3 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$42,229,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$17,600,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

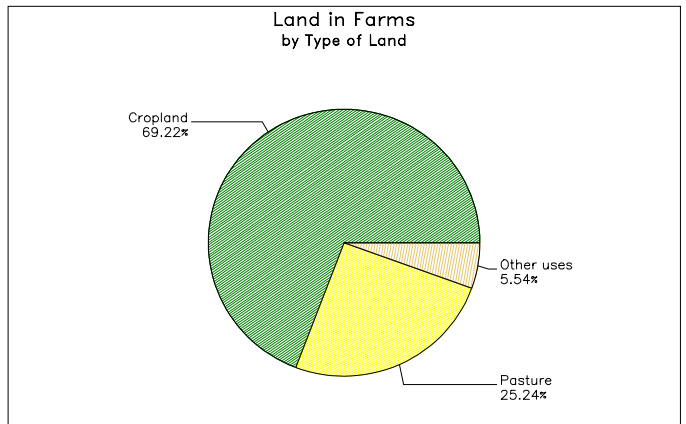
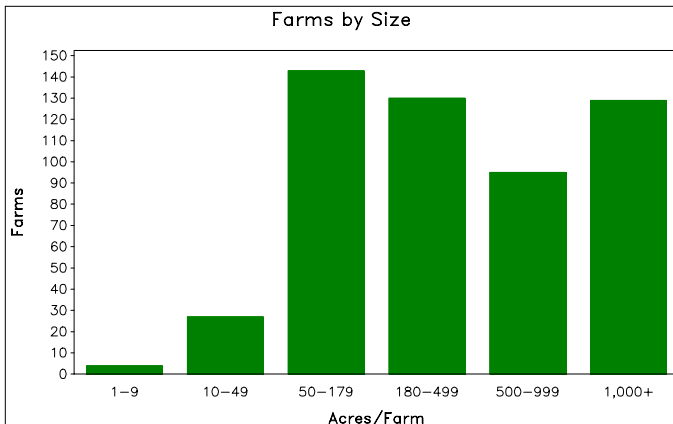
\$113,312 in 2002, \$117,325 in 1997, down 3 percent.

Government Payments

\$5,199,000 in 2002, \$4,765,000 in 1997, up 9 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$11,631 in 2002, \$11,795 in 1997, down 1 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	59,829	20	53	959	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	42,229	21	53	591	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	17,600	16	53	1,406	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	37,524	24	53	373	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	36	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	19	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	27	-	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	8,200	34	53	1,140	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	45	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	5,423	1	51	450	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	83	22	53	923	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	155	11	53	1,366	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	4	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	3	51	52	2,240	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	(D)	3	31	(D)	2,328
Cattle and calves	29,679	26	53	1,072	3,059
Hogs and pigs	24,512	1	51	469	2,926
Sheep and lambs	1,410	23	53	747	2,867
Horses and ponies	609	25	53	1,924	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Wheat for grain	84,458	37	53	160	2,517
Soybeans	81,926	11	47	361	2,076
Corn for grain	49,737	7	53	498	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	23,915	38	53	937	3,059
Dry edible beans, excluding limas	16,258	14	45	27	571

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	205	Farming	339
\$1,000 to \$2,499	9	Other	189
\$2,500 to \$4,999	27		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	21	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	23	Male	466
\$20,000 to \$24,999	16	Female	62
\$25,000 to \$39,999	28		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	12	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	55		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	68	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	39	White	684
\$500,000 or more	25	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	47,929	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Average per farm (\$)	90,947	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	18,674	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	35,435	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	5

(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.