

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Billings, North Dakota

Number of farms

238 farms in 2002, 251 farms in 1997, down 5 percent.

Land in farms

810,924 acres in 2002, 792,854 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

Average size of farm

3,407 acres in 2002, 3,159 acres in 1997, up 8 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$12,618,000 in 2002, \$12,303,000 in 1997, up 3 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,444,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$10,174,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

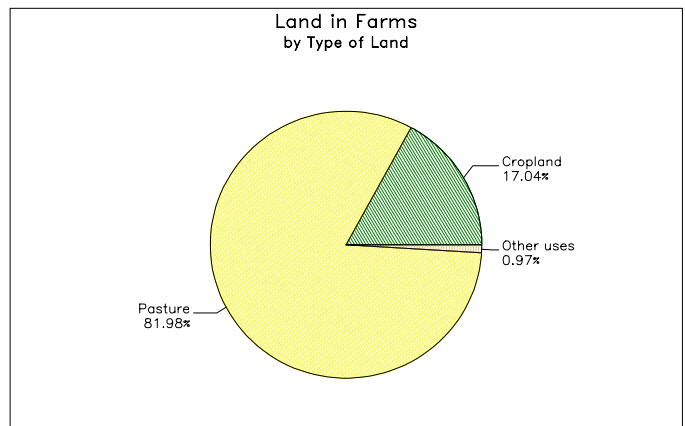
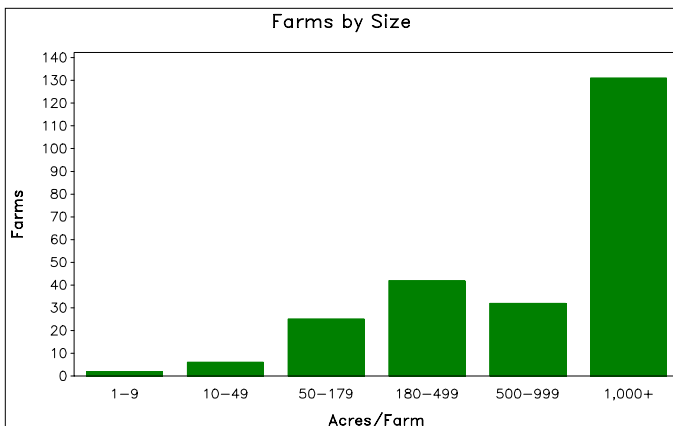
\$53,019 in 2002, \$49,017 in 1997, up 8 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,038,000 in 2002, \$1,119,000 in 1997, down 7 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$6,613 in 2002, \$7,130 in 1997, down 7 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	12,618	53	53	2,380	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,444	52	53	2,423	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	10,174	36	53	1,874	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,718	52	53	1,624	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	(Z)	43	48	2,794	2,918
Cattle and calves	9,852	30	53	1,001	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	45	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	17	38	51	2,104	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	82	23	53	924	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	33	40	53	2,558	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	4	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	189	31	52	623	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	37,157	21	53	849	3,059
Colonies of bees	(D)	24	34	(D)	2,392
Sheep and lambs	886	38	53	1,068	2,867
Horses and ponies	565	30	53	2,015	3,065
Bison	285	23	51	171	1,321
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	56,577	22	53	219	3,059
All Wheat for grain	17,058	52	53	492	2,517
Oats	5,769	23	53	63	2,215
Barley	3,349	50	53	178	1,246
Corn for silage	996	41	52	1,108	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	38	Farming	173
\$1,000 to \$2,499	8	Other	65
\$2,500 to \$4,999	13	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	19	Male	213
\$10,000 to \$19,999	15	Female	25
\$20,000 to \$24,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	34	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	10	White	345
\$50,000 to \$99,999	56	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	31	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	5	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	11,980	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	50,765	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	2,120		
Average per farm (\$)	8,984		

(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.