

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Carbon, Pennsylvania

### Number of farms

206 farms in 2002, 231 farms in 1997, down 11 percent.

### Land in farms

19,257 acres in 2002, 23,303 acres in 1997, down 17 percent.

### Average size of farm

93 acres in 2002, 101 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$8,147,000 in 2002, \$8,024,000 in 1997, up 2 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$7,084,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$1,063,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

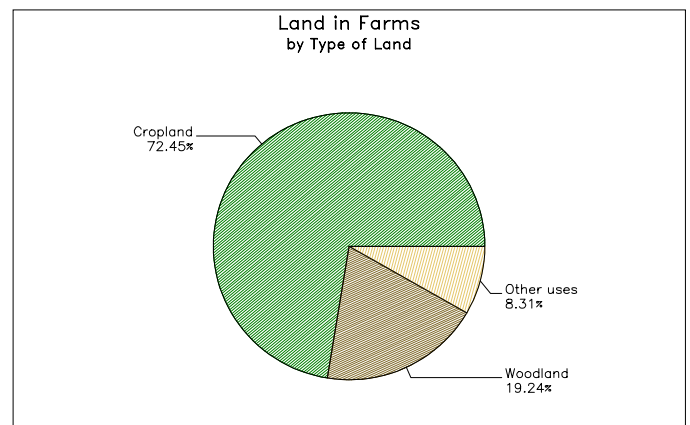
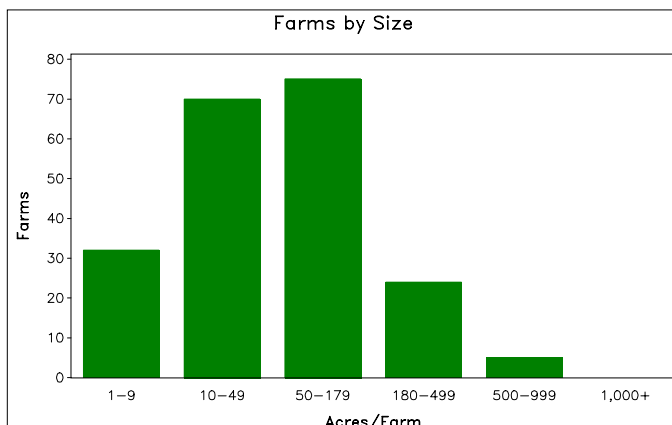
\$39,551 in 2002, \$34,734 in 1997, up 14 percent.

### Government Payments

\$105,000 in 2002, \$101,000 in 1997, up 4 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,978 in 2002, \$1,295 in 1997, up 53 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 67 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	8,147	56	67	2,587	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	7,084	39	67	1,875	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,063	62	66	2,860	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	238	54	65	2,190	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	19	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	67	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	3,698	27	66	550	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	887	9	66	59	1,774
Other crops and hay	497	57	66	1,905	3,046
Poultry and eggs	22	55	66	1,691	2,918
Cattle and calves	344	61	66	2,820	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	505	60	65	1,654	2,493
Hogs and pigs	29	54	66	1,910	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	22	53	66	1,849	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	71	52	65	2,094	3,014
Aquaculture	61	27	60	662	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	11	57	66	1,777	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,024	58	67	1,373	2,983
Cattle and calves	1,005	62	66	2,923	3,059
Quail	(D)	30	51	(D)	1,412
Pheasants <sup>3</sup>	(D)	(D)	60	(D)	1,541
Pigeons <sup>3</sup>	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	1,368
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	4,475	62	66	2,377	3,059
Nursery stock	1,344	7	64	68	2,129
Cut Christmas trees	1,282	9	66	62	1,877
Corn for grain	1,022	56	66	1,795	2,592
Oats	803	45	64	612	2,215

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	58	Farming	90
\$1,000 to \$2,499	32	Other	116
\$2,500 to \$4,999	20	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	28	Male	184
\$10,000 to \$19,999	17	Female	22
\$20,000 to \$24,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	50.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	17	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	White	316
\$50,000 to \$99,999	5	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	9	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	2	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	6,618	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	31,973	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,101		
Average per farm (\$)	5,320		

(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.

<sup>3</sup> Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.