

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Westmoreland, Pennsylvania

Number of farms

1,353 farms in 2002, 1,401 farms in 1997, down 3 percent.

Land in farms

150,967 acres in 2002, 163,259 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

Average size of farm

112 acres in 2002, 117 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$35,464,000 in 2002, \$39,797,000 in 1997, down 11 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$15,645,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$19,819,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

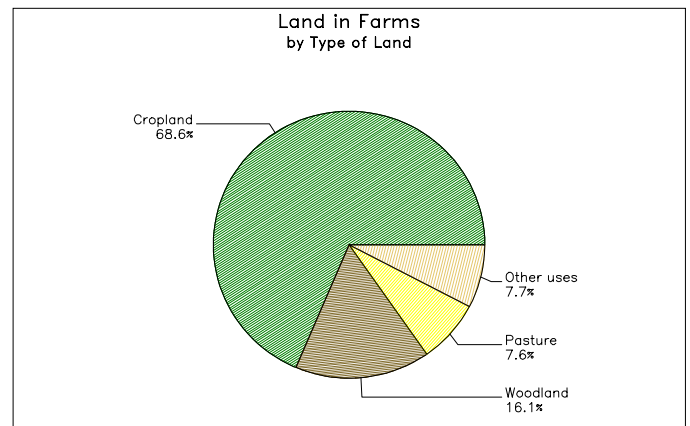
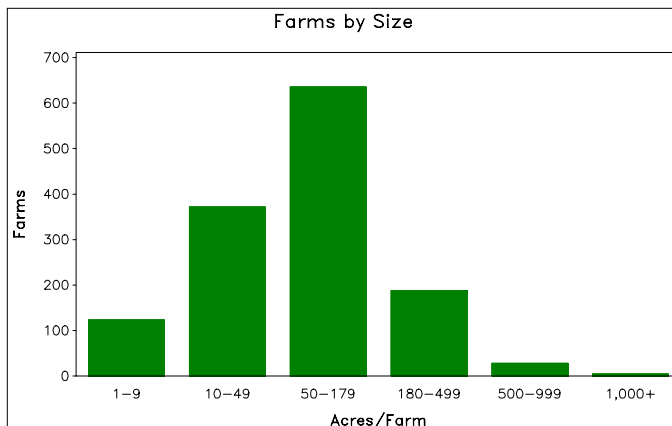
\$26,211 in 2002, \$28,406 in 1997, down 8 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,169,000 in 2002, \$788,000 in 1997, up 48 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$4,497 in 2002, \$2,793 in 1997, up 61 percent.



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Ranked items among the 67 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	35,464	33	67	1,548	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	15,645	22	67	1,350	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	19,819	31	66	1,306	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	3,309	21	65	1,379	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	19	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,543	28	67	621	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	350	31	66	658	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	8,405	14	66	304	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	115	42	66	394	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,922	21	66	672	3,046
Poultry and eggs	557	29	66	1,038	2,918
Cattle and calves	4,555	28	66	1,594	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	13,488	30	65	298	2,493
Hogs and pigs	331	30	66	1,122	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	477	3	66	193	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	297	16	65	737	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	60	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	25,241	22	66	1,231	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	19,405	29	67	676	2,983
Turkeys	(D)	22	61	(D)	2,328
Hogs and pigs	2,933	29	65	1,030	2,926
Sheep and lambs	2,783	10	67	400	2,867
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	40,748	14	66	464	3,059
Corn for grain	14,599	19	66	904	2,592
Soybeans	6,118	24	58	1,154	2,076
Corn for silage	3,997	35	65	449	2,307
Oats	3,530	8	64	128	2,215

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	473
\$1,000 to \$2,499	186
\$2,500 to \$4,999	177
\$5,000 to \$9,999	133
\$10,000 to \$19,999	131
\$20,000 to \$24,999	43
\$25,000 to \$39,999	42
\$40,000 to \$49,999	23
\$50,000 to \$99,999	65
\$100,000 to \$249,999	45
\$250,000 to \$499,999	24
\$500,000 or more	11
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	34,860
Average per farm (\$)	25,784
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	960
Average per farm (\$)	710

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	649
Other	704
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,188
Female	165
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.0
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,934
Black or African American	13
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	8
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	24

(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.