

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Spink, South Dakota

Number of farms

682 farms in 2002, 673 farms in 1997, up 1 percent.

Land in farms

911,373 acres in 2002, 870,523 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

Average size of farm

1,336 acres in 2002, 1,293 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$134,212,000 in 2002, \$121,410,000 in 1997, up 11 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$82,333,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$51,879,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

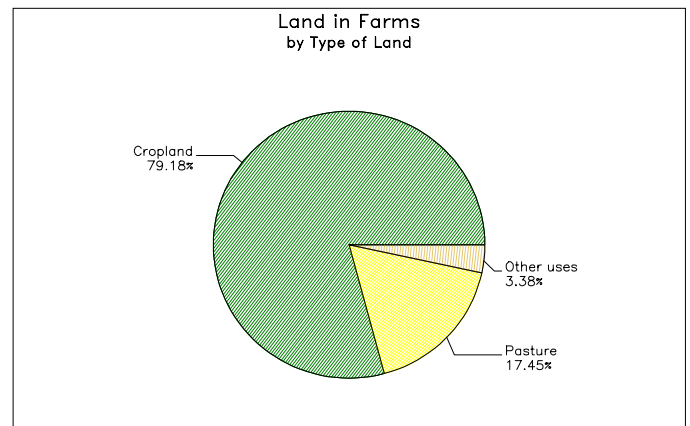
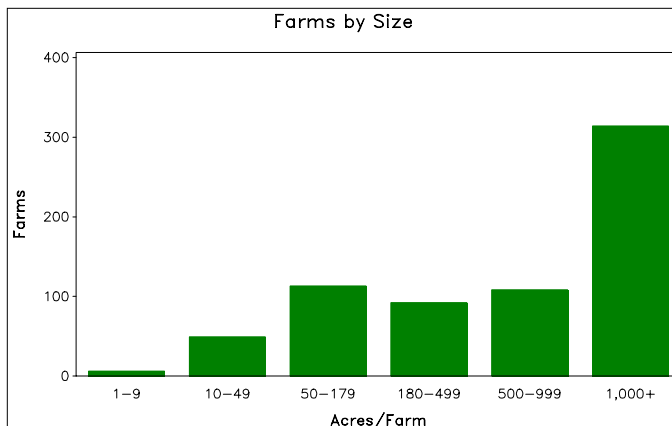
\$196,792 in 2002, \$180,402 in 1997, up 9 percent.

Government Payments

\$7,783,000 in 2002, \$6,591,000 in 1997, up 18 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$15,025 in 2002, \$12,027 in 1997, up 25 percent.



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Ranked items among the 66 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	134,212	2	66	305	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	82,333	2	66	207	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	51,879	13	66	530	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	80,454	2	66	64	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	38	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	17	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	36	-	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	10	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,849	25	66	708	3,046
Poultry and eggs	2,620	10	62	767	2,918
Cattle and calves	42,568	10	66	189	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,517	24	59	1,155	2,493
Hogs and pigs	4,607	23	64	502	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	314	20	65	287	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	81	44	66	1,956	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	9	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	172	33	62	662	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	83,941	9	66	201	3,059
Turkeys	(D)	9	50	(D)	2,328
Hogs and pigs	30,286	21	64	403	2,926
Sheep and lambs	5,321	18	65	209	2,867
Pheasants	(D)	3	41	(D)	1,541
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	297,123	2	61	5	2,076
Corn for grain	152,588	2	65	82	2,592
All Wheat for grain	83,492	2	66	164	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	69,884	17	66	130	3,059
Corn for silage	24,207	6	65	34	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	118	Farming	519
\$1,000 to \$2,499	15	Other	163
\$2,500 to \$4,999	21		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	19	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	44	Male	650
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12	Female	32
\$25,000 to \$39,999	37		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	24	Average age of principal operator (years)	51.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	73		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	159	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	100	White	952
\$500,000 or more	60	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	115,570	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	169,458	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	33,734	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	49,463	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3

(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.