

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Buffalo, South Dakota

Number of farms

73 farms in 2002, 79 farms in 1997, down 8 percent.

Land in farms

284,907 acres in 2002, 298,702 acres in 1997, down 5 percent.

Average size of farm

3,903 acres in 2002, 3,781 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$13,218,000 in 2002, \$21,405,000 in 1997, down 38 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,023,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$11,196,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

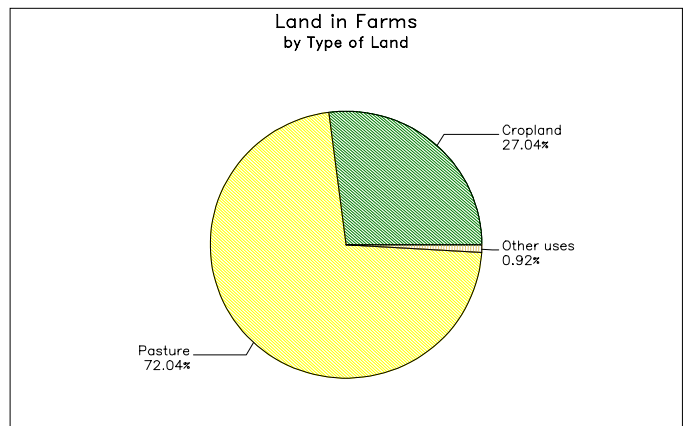
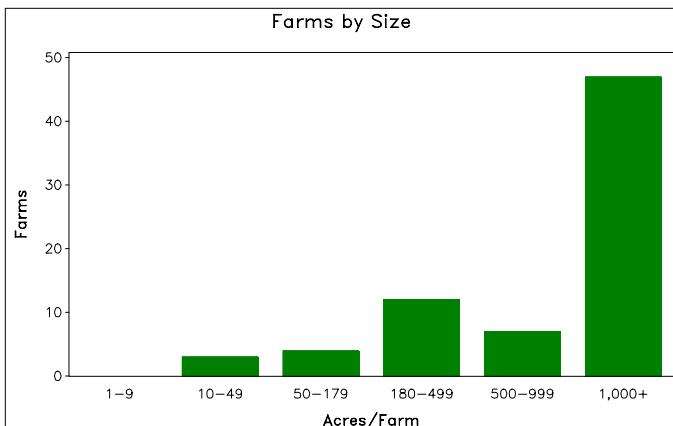
\$181,073 in 2002, \$270,952 in 1997, down 33 percent.

Government Payments

\$780,000 in 2002, \$425,000 in 1997, up 84 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$21,074 in 2002, \$7,597 in 1997, up 177 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	13,218	63	66	2,342	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,023	59	66	2,506	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	11,196	62	66	1,781	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	38	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	17	-	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	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	10,913	59	66	931	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	59	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	-	-	64	-	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	65	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	9	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	22,142	64	66	1,354	3,059
Pheasants	(D)	12	41	(D)	1,541
Bison	(D)	8	52	(D)	1,321
Horses and ponies	310	61	66	2,597	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	122	53	66	2,654	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,927	66	66	1,437	3,059
Corn for silage	5,205	44	65	349	2,307
Soybeans	3,369	47	61	1,275	2,076
All Wheat for grain	3,271	56	66	1,093	2,517
Sunflower seed	3,258	26	46	108	746

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	22
\$1,000 to \$2,499	1
\$2,500 to \$4,999	1
\$5,000 to \$9,999	-
\$10,000 to \$19,999	4
\$20,000 to \$24,999	4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	3
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	8
\$100,000 to \$249,999	14
\$250,000 to \$499,999	8
\$500,000 or more	2
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	14,950
Average per farm (\$)	199,327
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	125
Average per farm (\$)	1,665

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	50
Other	23
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	66
Female	7
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.3
All operators ² by race:	
White	86
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	24
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	1
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

(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.