

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Butte, South Dakota

Number of farms

639 farms in 2002, 596 farms in 1997, up 7 percent.

Land in farms

1,262,390 acres in 2002, 1,159,789 acres in 1997, up 9 percent.

Average size of farm

1,976 acres in 2002, 1,946 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$56,779,000 in 2002, \$42,355,000 in 1997, up 34 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$12,447,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$44,333,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

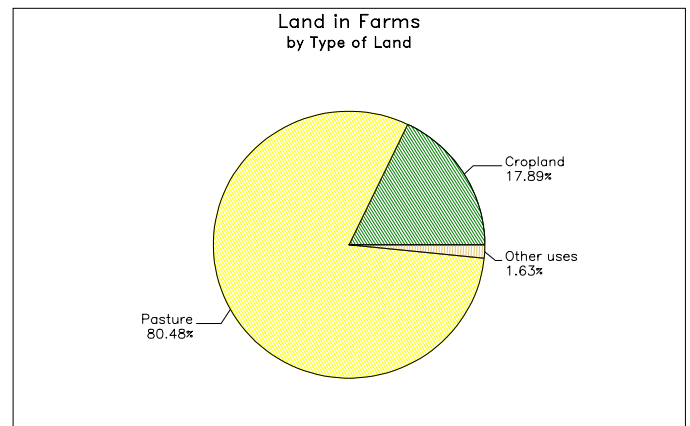
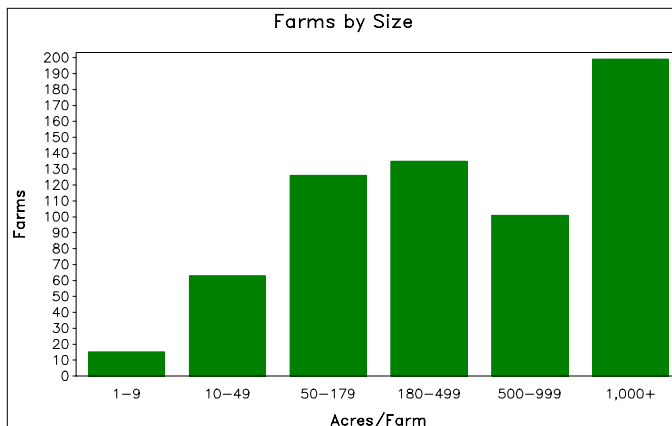
\$88,857 in 2002, \$71,065 in 1997, up 25 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,659,000 in 2002, \$1,409,000 in 1997, up 89 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,461 in 2002, \$5,380 in 1997, up 76 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	56,779	32	66	1,010	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	12,447	39	66	1,512	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	44,333	18	66	639	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,317	54	66	1,510	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	-	-	17	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	36	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	10	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	10,086	3	66	141	3,046
Poultry and eggs	31	37	62	1,590	2,918
Cattle and calves	34,303	16	66	253	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	4,776	10	59	645	2,493
Hogs and pigs	112	50	64	1,420	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	3,751	2	65	17	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	493	7	66	395	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	9	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	867	8	62	149	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	63,586	20	66	375	3,059
Sheep and lambs	55,279	1	65	15	2,867
Pheasants	2,593	8	41	151	1,541
Horses and ponies	2,323	5	66	369	3,065
Bison	1,759	7	52	25	1,321
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	98,663	8	66	43	3,059
Corn for silage	5,739	42	65	317	2,307
All Wheat for grain	4,943	51	66	927	2,517
Corn for grain	3,560	49	65	1,402	2,592
Oats	1,909	26	66	261	2,215

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	92
\$1,000 to \$2,499	40
\$2,500 to \$4,999	44
\$5,000 to \$9,999	25
\$10,000 to \$19,999	70
\$20,000 to \$24,999	24
\$25,000 to \$39,999	49
\$40,000 to \$49,999	22
\$50,000 to \$99,999	105
\$100,000 to \$249,999	116
\$250,000 to \$499,999	40
\$500,000 or more	12
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	41,349
Average per farm (\$)	64,811
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	15,826
Average per farm (\$)	24,805

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	455
Other	184
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	582
Female	57
Average age of principal operator (years)	51.6
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,010
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	8
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	1
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	5

(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.