

2002 Census of Agriculture State Profile

Tennessee

Number of farms

87,595 farms in 2002, 91,536 farms in 1997, down 4 percent.

Land in farms

11,681,533 acres in 2002, 11,986,258 acres in 1997, down 3 percent.

Average size of farm

133 acres in 2002, 131 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$2,199,814,000 in 2002, \$2,263,035,000 in 1997, down 3 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$1,072,548,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$1,127,266,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

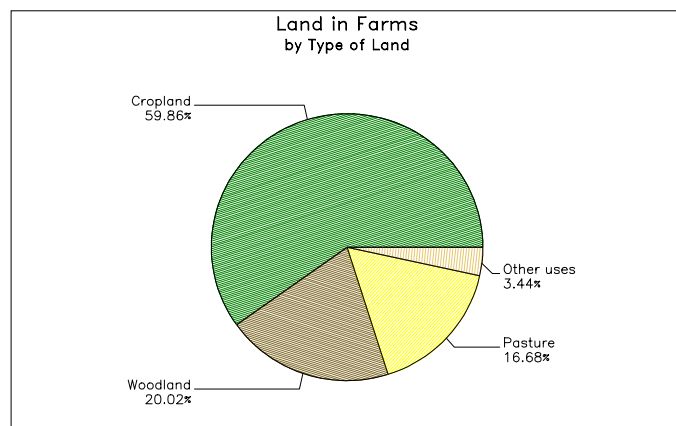
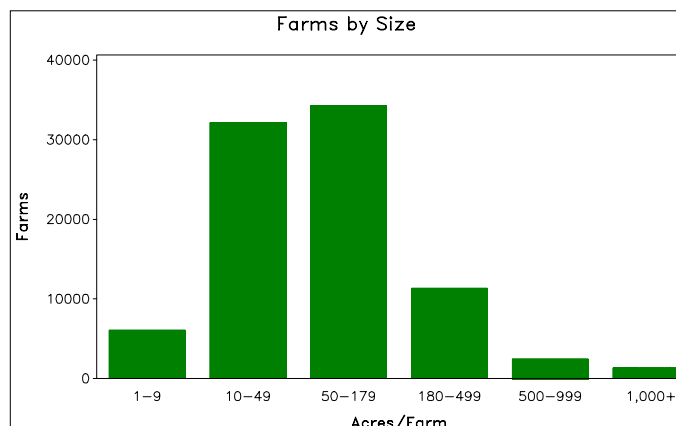
\$25,113 in 2002, \$24,723 in 1997, up 2 percent.

Government Payments

\$59,231,000 in 2002, \$50,801,000 in 1997, up 17 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,694 in 2002, \$3,465 in 1997, up 7 percent.



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Ranked items within U.S., 2002

Item	Quantity	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	2,199,814	31	50
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,072,548	27	50
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,127,266	30	50
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)			
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	344,880	25	50
Tobacco	141,412	3	23
Cotton and cottonseed	178,354	7	17
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	68,516	25	50
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	6,363	37	50
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	282,815	15	50
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	2,312	21	50
Other crops and hay	47,896	36	50
Poultry and eggs	359,286	21	50
Cattle and calves	499,143	21	50
Milk and other dairy products from cows	173,410	26	50
Hogs and pigs	42,632	24	50
Sheep, goats, and their products	4,196	28	50
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	38,201	6	50
Aquaculture	4,799	26	50
Other animals and other animal products	5,599	33	50
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)			
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	25,608,347	16	50
Cattle and calves	2,233,988	14	50
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,160,590	39	50
Hogs and pigs	230,532	24	50
Horses and ponies	148,653	4	50
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)			
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	1,917,323	15	50
Soybeans	1,088,889	17	41
Corn for grain	593,564	18	49
All Cotton	533,755	7	17
All Wheat for grain	279,978	22	48

Other State Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	24,910	Farming	44,100
\$1,000 to \$2,499	17,831	Other	43,495
\$2,500 to \$4,999	12,859		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	12,311	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	8,129	Male	78,182
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1,883	Female	9,413
\$25,000 to \$39,999	2,822		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	869	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2,133		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1,915	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1,131	White	118,922
\$500,000 or more	802	Black or African American	1,266
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	1,996,798	American Indian or Alaska Native	367
Average per farm (\$)	22,798	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	17
		Asian	126
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	366,526	More than one race	389
Average per farm (\$)	4,185	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	927

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of states in U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.