

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Blount, Tennessee

Number of farms

1,302 farms in 2002, 1,275 farms in 1997, up 2 percent.

Land in farms

105,148 acres in 2002, 100,662 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

Average size of farm

81 acres in 2002, 79 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$24,486,000 in 2002, \$19,152,000 in 1997, up 28 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$15,134,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$9,352,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

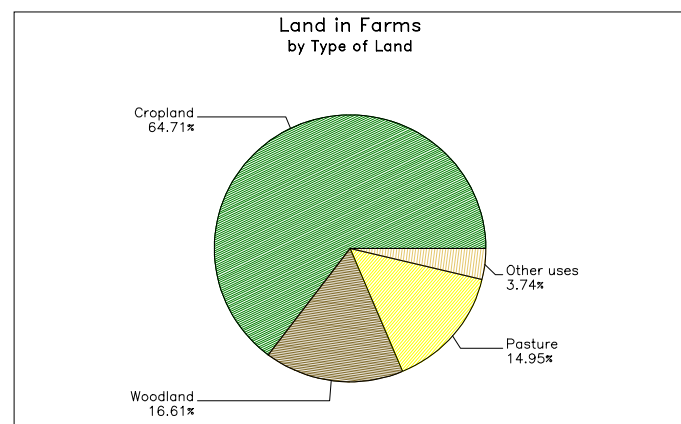
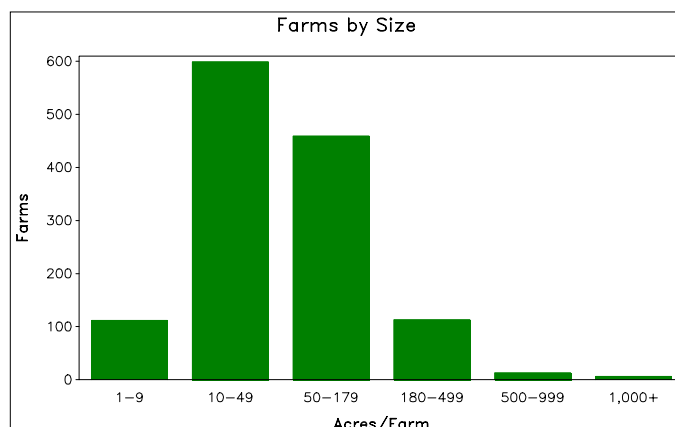
\$18,806 in 2002, \$15,021 in 1997, up 25 percent.

Government Payments

\$304,000 in 2002, \$114,000 in 1997, up 167 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,737 in 2002, \$1,904 in 1997, up 201 percent.



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Ranked items among the 95 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	24,486	35	95	1,901	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	15,134	23	95	1,376	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	9,352	40	95	1,931	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,095	37	94	1,748	2,871
Tobacco	389	43	69	330	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	24	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,057	13	92	742	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	38	45	91	1,707	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	11,720	6	94	225	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	81	8	50	496	1,774
Other crops and hay	753	19	95	1,527	3,046
Poultry and eggs	40	46	93	1,520	2,918
Cattle and calves	6,039	34	95	1,377	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	2,700	24	73	878	2,493
Hogs and pigs	23	58	93	2,005	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	42	31	94	1,392	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	455	24	94	439	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	89	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	31,447	25	95	1,016	3,059
Quail	(D)	1	52	(D)	1,412
Horses and ponies	2,659	16	95	283	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,463	32	94	1,137	2,983
All Goats	841	40	94	583	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	29,851	21	95	728	3,059
Corn for grain	2,257	39	94	1,531	2,592
Soybeans	1,789	48	81	1,406	2,076
Corn for silage	1,051	21	82	1,084	2,307
All Wheat for grain	880	36	81	1,593	2,517

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	362	Farming	619
\$1,000 to \$2,499	286	Other	683
\$2,500 to \$4,999	232		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	164	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	126	Male	1,176
\$20,000 to \$24,999	42	Female	126
\$25,000 to \$39,999	40		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	26	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4	White	1,835
\$500,000 or more	6	Black or African American	6
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	22,148	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	17,024	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-530	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	-407	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	8

(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.