

## 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

### Sevier, Tennessee

#### Number of farms

907 farms in 2002, 957 farms in 1997, down 5 percent.

#### Land in farms

75,365 acres in 2002, 78,679 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

#### Average size of farm

83 acres in 2002, 82 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

#### Market Value of Production

\$9,866,000 in 2002, \$9,709,000 in 1997, up 2 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,392,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$7,474,000 of the total value in 2002.

#### Market Value of Production, average per farm

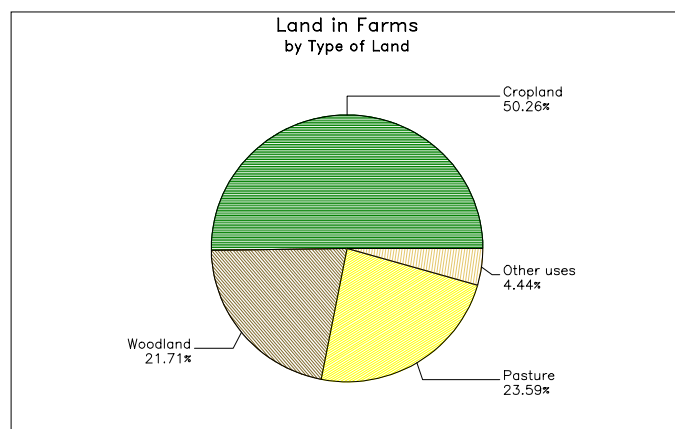
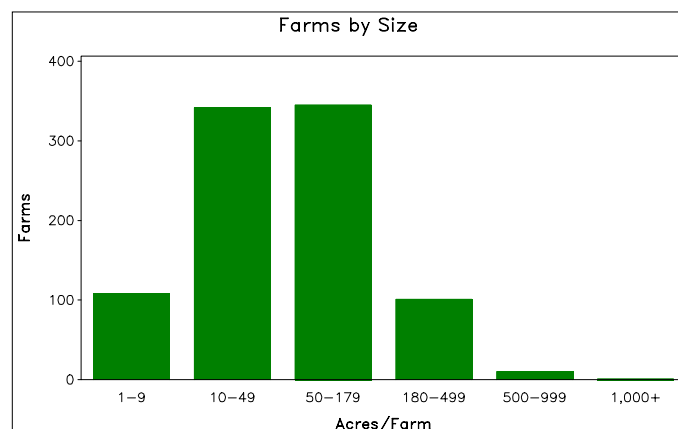
\$10,878 in 2002, \$10,146 in 1997, up 7 percent.

#### Government Payments

\$75,000 in 2002, \$48,000 in 1997, up 56 percent.

#### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$885 in 2002, \$1,461 in 1997, down 39 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 95 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	9,866	67	95	2,512	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,392	72	95	2,436	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	7,474	54	95	2,087	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	653	38	69	302	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	24	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	144	50	92	1,528	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,141	29	94	1,041	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	50	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	313	61	95	2,278	3,046
Poultry and eggs	1,522	30	93	883	2,918
Cattle and calves	5,509	36	95	1,444	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	73	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	7	71	93	2,445	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	18	53	94	1,973	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	386	34	94	552	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	52	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	33	30	89	1,312	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	27	89	(D)	2,599
Cattle and calves	20,802	45	95	1,411	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,033	26	95	467	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,297	38	94	1,207	2,983
All Goats	732	53	94	705	2,971
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	15,988	47	95	1,313	3,059
Tobacco	194	40	69	305	563
Apples	132	1	74	309	2,173
Corn for grain	95	88	94	2,318	2,592
All Vegetables harvested	93	42	90	1,291	2,710

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	281	Farming	477
\$1,000 to \$2,499	201	Other	430
\$2,500 to \$4,999	152		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	114	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	71	Male	797
\$20,000 to \$24,999	23	Female	110
\$25,000 to \$39,999	28		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	16		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	6	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	7	White	1,192
\$500,000 or more	2	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	12,091	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
Average per farm (\$)	13,302	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-2,163	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	-2,380	All operators <sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.