

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Okanogan, Washington

### Number of farms

1,486 farms in 2002, 1,619 farms in 1997, down 8 percent.

### Land in farms

1,241,316 acres in 2002, 1,186,353 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

### Average size of farm

835 acres in 2002, 733 acres in 1997, up 14 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$137,418,000 in 2002, \$138,359,000 in 1997, down 1 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$116,551,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$20,867,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

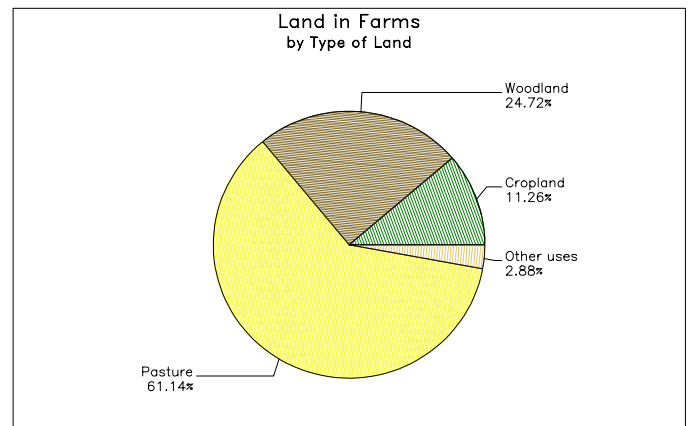
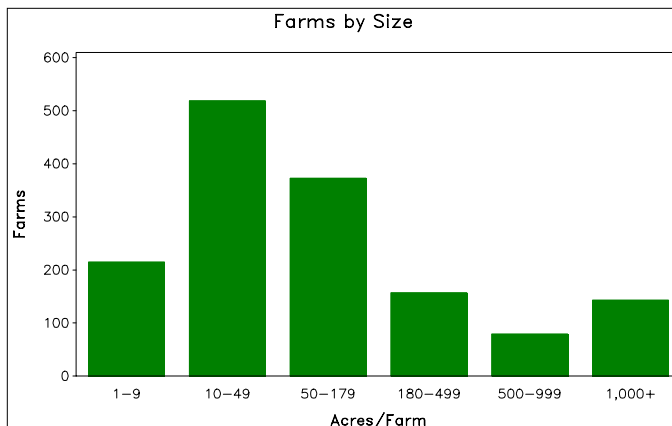
\$92,475 in 2002, \$85,459 in 1997, up 8 percent.

### Government Payments

\$2,746,000 in 2002, \$1,010,000 in 1997, up 172 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,704 in 2002, \$8,856 in 1997, up 10 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 39 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	137,418	11	39	296	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	116,551	11	39	96	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	20,867	17	39	1,265	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,424	18	34	1,679	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	194	27	36	1,385	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	110,490	5	39	28	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	590	27	36	1,353	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	31	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	3,852	11	39	316	3,046
Poultry and eggs	43	21	39	1,499	2,918
Cattle and calves	12,894	9	39	811	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	58	27	34	2,228	2,493
Hogs and pigs	52	21	38	1,691	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	311	2	38	293	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	545	9	39	335	3,014
Aquaculture	6,645	10	35	41	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	318	13	37	411	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	43,602	5	39	691	3,059
Horses and ponies	5,084	4	39	47	3,065
Sheep and lambs	3,490	2	39	320	2,867
Colonies of bees	3,246	6	33	182	2,392
Layers 20 weeks old and older	2,395	14	39	941	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	34,112	9	39	615	3,059
Apples	17,752	3	38	4	2,173
All Wheat for grain	9,763	15	26	654	2,517
Pears	4,045	3	37	6	1,572
Sweet cherries	2,581	6	32	9	691

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	337
\$1,000 to \$2,499	171
\$2,500 to \$4,999	138
\$5,000 to \$9,999	155
\$10,000 to \$19,999	122
\$20,000 to \$24,999	62
\$25,000 to \$39,999	71
\$40,000 to \$49,999	38
\$50,000 to \$99,999	124
\$100,000 to \$249,999	165
\$250,000 to \$499,999	60
\$500,000 or more	43
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	117,315
Average per farm (\$)	78,894
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	33,467
Average per farm (\$)	22,507

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	882
Other	604
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,292
Female	194
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.7
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	2,159
Black or African American	2
American Indian or Alaska Native	63
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	14
More than one race	15
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	120

(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.