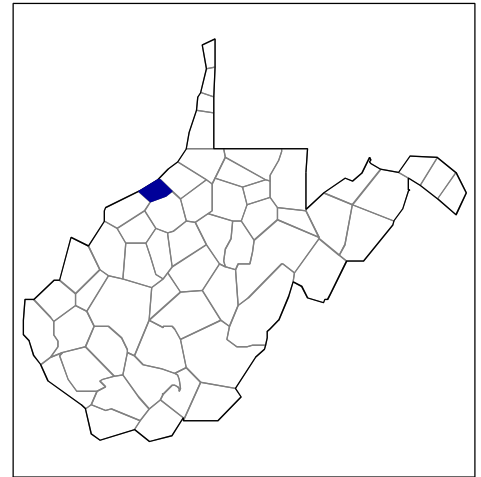


# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Pleasants, West Virginia



### Number of farms

203 farms in 2002, 168 farms in 1997, up 21 percent.

### Land in farms

23,016 acres in 2002, 23,790 acres in 1997, down 3 percent.

### Average size of farm

113 acres in 2002, 142 acres in 1997, down 20 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$557,000 in 2002, \$809,000 in 1997, down 31 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$254,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$302,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

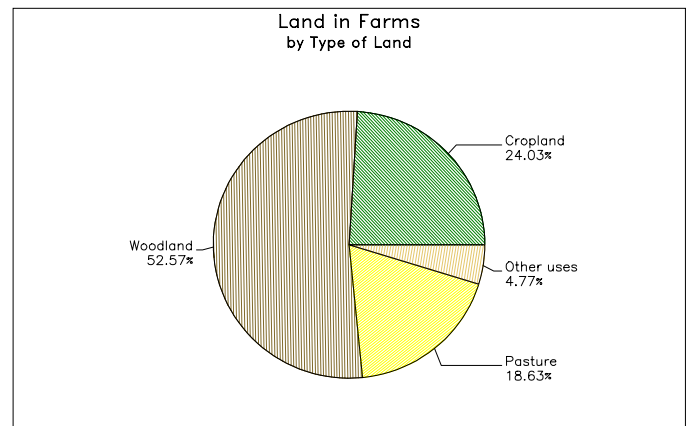
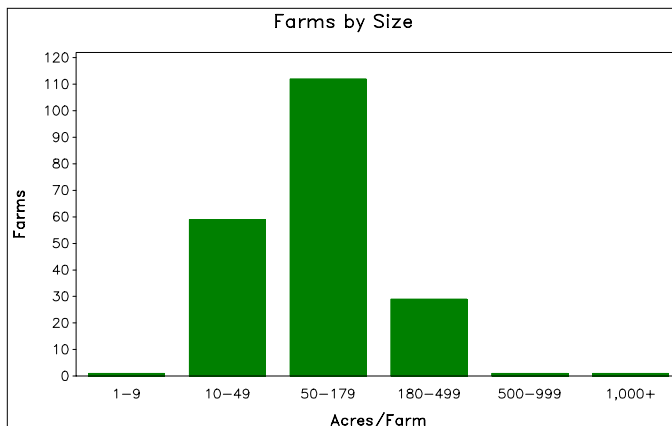
\$2,742 in 2002, \$4,818 in 1997, down 43 percent.

### Government Payments

(D) in 2002, (D) in 1997.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

(D) in 2002, (D) in 1997.



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**Ranked items among the 55 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	557	48	55	3,027	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	254	42	55	2,986	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	302	47	55	2,993	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	43	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	20	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	11	38	52	2,449	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	94	42	53	2,801	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	259	47	55	2,879	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	39	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	51	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	36	31	51	2,514	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	30	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	52	-	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	1,606	44	55	2,850	3,059
Horses and ponies	359	34	55	2,463	3,065
All Goats	357	19	52	1,318	2,971
Layers 20 weeks old and older	229	50	52	2,407	2,983
Sheep and lambs	132	41	51	2,144	2,867
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,071	43	55	2,580	3,059
Corn for grain	57	28	47	2,384	2,592
Cut Christmas trees	18	33	49	1,245	1,877
All Vegetables harvested	7	38	51	2,319	2,710
Apples	(D)	40	52	(D)	2,173

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	119
\$1,000 to \$2,499	45
\$2,500 to \$4,999	16
\$5,000 to \$9,999	14
\$10,000 to \$19,999	4
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	1
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-
\$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	1,395
Average per farm (\$)	6,904
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-655
Average per farm (\$)	-3,244

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	100
Other	103
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	176
Female	27
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.9
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	276
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
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.