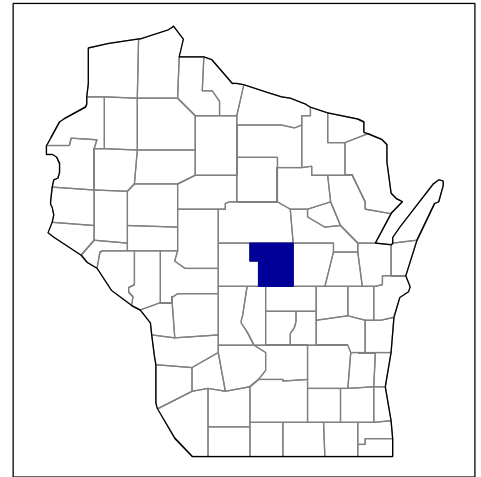




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Number of farms

1,197 farms in 2002, 1,134 farms in 1997, up 6 percent.

Land in farms

292,109 acres in 2002, 287,168 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

Average size of farm

244 acres in 2002, 253 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$138,949,000 in 2002, \$118,629,000 in 1997, up 17 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$99,097,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$39,852,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

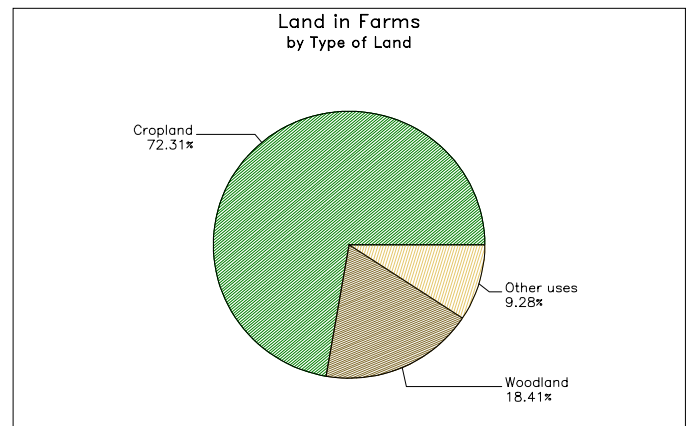
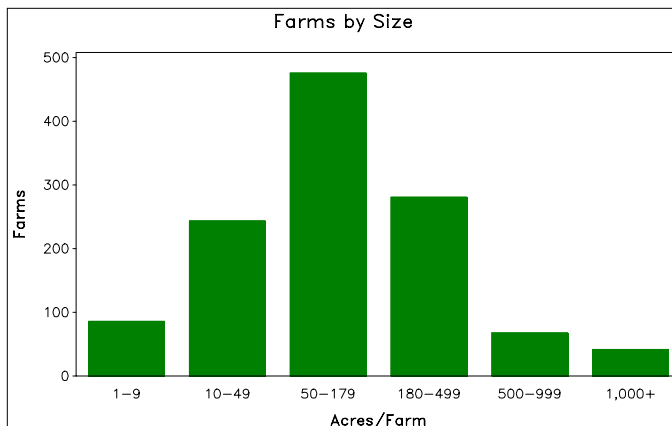
\$116,081 in 2002, \$104,611 in 1997, up 11 percent.

Government Payments

\$3,187,000 in 2002, \$1,154,000 in 1997, up 176 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$7,716 in 2002, \$2,385 in 1997, up 224 percent.



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Ranked items among the 72 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	138,949	11	72	290	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	99,097	1	72	133	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	39,852	38	72	722	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	8,050	42	72	1,068	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	13	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	83,114	1	71	26	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2,803	10	71	204	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,482	25	70	711	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	68	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	72	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	65	44	71	1,408	2,918
Cattle and calves	10,032	33	72	992	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	27,545	39	69	167	2,493
Hogs and pigs	565	29	71	1,011	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	37	51	70	1,481	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	135	41	69	1,489	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	68	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	43,716	35	72	689	3,059
Hogs and pigs	4,687	27	72	910	2,926
Layers 20 weeks old and older	3,237	30	72	867	2,983
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,743	25	71	782	2,599
Horses and ponies	1,695	22	72	625	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	55,539	25	72	234	3,059
All Vegetables harvested	44,888	1	69	12	2,710
Corn for grain	35,184	34	69	613	2,592
Potatoes	25,489	1	58	12	1,551
Sweet corn	23,963	1	69	4	2,279

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	374
\$1,000 to \$2,499	126
\$2,500 to \$4,999	82
\$5,000 to \$9,999	111
\$10,000 to \$19,999	93
\$20,000 to \$24,999	29
\$25,000 to \$39,999	61
\$40,000 to \$49,999	24
\$50,000 to \$99,999	106
\$100,000 to \$249,999	92
\$250,000 to \$499,999	57
\$500,000 or more	42
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	111,331
Average per farm (\$)	93,477
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	32,930
Average per farm (\$)	27,649

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	671
Other	526
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,069
Female	128
Average age of principal operator (years)	52.3
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,799
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	4
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

(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.