

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Simpson, Kentucky

Number of farms

550 farms in 2002, 659 farms in 1997, down 17 percent.

Land in farms

127,911 acres in 2002, 122,852 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

Average size of farm

233 acres in 2002, 186 acres in 1997, up 25 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$41,628,000 in 2002, \$33,693,000 in 1997, up 24 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$21,340,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$20,289,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

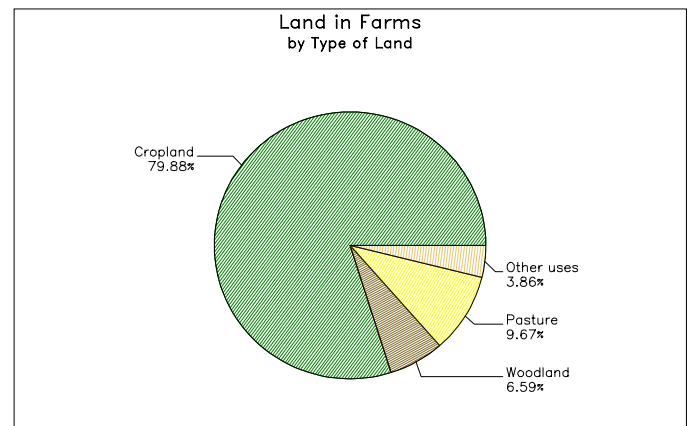
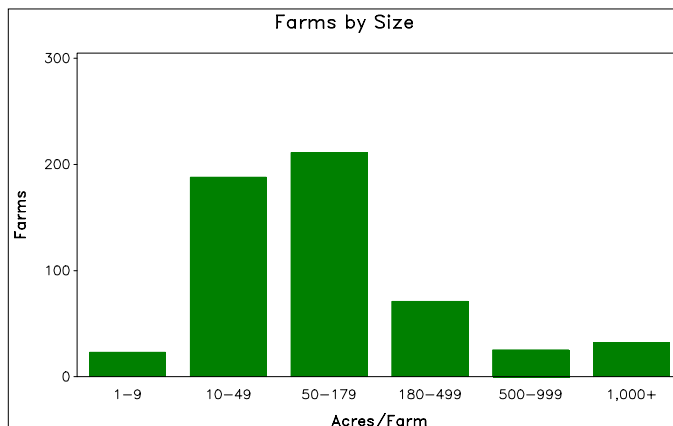
\$75,688 in 2002, \$51,127 in 1997, up 48 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,282,000 in 2002, \$1,203,000 in 1997, up 7 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,907 in 2002, \$3,667 in 1997, up 61 percent.



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United States Department of Agriculture, Kentucky Agricultural Statistics Service**

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Ranked items among the 120 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	41,628	23	120	1,385	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	21,340	11	120	1,119	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	20,289	30	120	1,285	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	17,490	12	117	740	2,871
Tobacco	2,726	62	114	164	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	111	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	12	65	112	2,129	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	106	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	49	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	856	30	120	1,394	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	115	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,939	65	120	1,920	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,944	28	106	1,036	2,493
Hogs and pigs	344	31	111	1,115	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	7	90	120	2,454	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	118	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	11	38	100	1,774	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	160,150	31	103	498	2,599
Cattle and calves	15,237	60	120	1,727	3,059
Hogs and pigs	(D)	28	112	(D)	2,926
Horses and ponies	712	74	119	1,719	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	217	93	119	2,435	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	33,241	17	100	691	2,076
Corn for grain	29,023	12	117	670	2,592
All Wheat for grain	23,596	4	101	419	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	15,725	64	120	1,327	3,059
Barley	2,238	1	24	205	1,246

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	112
\$1,000 to \$2,499	69
\$2,500 to \$4,999	70
\$5,000 to \$9,999	71
\$10,000 to \$19,999	55
\$20,000 to \$24,999	16
\$25,000 to \$39,999	47
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13
\$50,000 to \$99,999	28
\$100,000 to \$249,999	30
\$250,000 to \$499,999	31
\$500,000 or more	8
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	29,975
Average per farm (\$)	54,401
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	14,020
Average per farm (\$)	25,444

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	316
Other	234
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	504
Female	46
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.0
All operators ² by race:	
White	722
Black or African American	21
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2

(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.

Simpson 2002 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE HIGHLIGHTS: 2002 AND 1997

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	ALL FARMS	
	2002	1997
Farms.....number..	550	659
Land in farms.....acres..	127,911	122,852
Average size of farm.....acres..	233	186
Median size of farm.....acres..	97	N/A
Estimated market value of land and buildings 1/:		
Average per farm.....dollars..	489,210	346,403
Average per acre.....dollars..	2,021	1,738
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment 1/:		
Average per farm.....dollars..	69,899	46,109
Farms by size:		
1 to 9 acres..	23	60
10 to 49 acres..	188	183
50 to 179 acres..	211	242
180 to 499 acres..	71	124
500 to 999 acres..	25	29
1,000 acres or more..	32	21
Total cropland.....farms..		
acres..	511	617
Harvested cropland.....farms..		
acres..	102,180	104,879
acres..	421	532
acres..	82,950	82,953
Irrigated land.....farms..		
acres..	7	15
acres..	29	67
Market value of agricultural products sold.\$1,000..		
Average per farm.....dollars..	41,628	33,693
dollars..	75,688	51,127
Crops (including nursery and greenhouse)...\$1,000..		
Livestock, poultry, and their products.....\$1,000..	21,340	26,081
\$1,000..	20,289	7,612
Principal operator by primary occupation:		
Farming.....number..	316	301
Other.....number..	234	358
Principal operator by days worked off farm:		
Any.....number..	321	366
200 days or more.....number..	242	276

1/ Data are based on a sample of farms.

Legend:

- Represents zero.
- (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.
- (NA) Not available or not published. Some historic data are not published because they are not comparable, electronic files are unavailable, or re-summarizing could compromise respondent confidentiality.
- (X) Not applicable
- (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

There is a significant difference in the measurements from the 1997 Census of Agriculture to the 2002 Census of Agriculture. For the first time, data for every county and state have been statistically adjusted to account for farms missed or misclassified in the census. For more information go to:
<http://www.usda.gov/nass/events/news/methodology.htm>

Simpson 2002 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE HIGHLIGHTS: 2002 AND 1997

--- ITEM ---

ALL FARMS

	2002	1997
Livestock and poultry:		
Cattle and calves inventory.....farms..	296	367
number..	15,237	16,358
Beef cows.....farms..	260	310
number..	7,462	7,963
Milk cows.....farms..	14	24
number..	944	1,176
Cattle and calves sold.....farms..	235	360
number..	6,422	7,930
Hogs and pigs inventory.....farms..	7	24
number..	(D)	6,934
Hogs and pigs sold.....farms..	14	24
number..	4,740	18,635
Sheep and lambs inventory.....farms..	4	3
number..	99	(D)
Layers 20 weeks old and older inventory.....farms..	9	10
number..	217	265
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold..farms..	4	-
number..	800,000	-
Selected crops harvested:		
Corn for grain.....farms..	120	193
acres..	29,023	30,149
bushels..	3,464,288	3,185,119
Winter wheat for grain.....farms..	116	168
acres..	23,596	25,439
bushels..	1,295,119	1,488,636
Barley for grain.....farms..	27	24
acres..	2,238	1,325
bushels..	146,605	89,833
Sorghum for grain.....farms..	-	-
acres..	-	-
bushels..	-	-
Soybeans for beans.....farms..	136	196
acres..	33,241	34,747
bushels..	1,203,376	1,148,577
Tobacco.....farms..	130	232
acres..	651	1,177
pounds..	1,414,422	2,516,394
Forage - land used for all hay and all haylage, grass silage, and greenchop.....farms..	314	(NA)
acres..	15,725	(NA)
tons, dry..	38,908	(NA)
Vegetables harvested for sale.....farms..	9	7
acres..	34	11
Land in orchards.....farms..	4	6
acres..	2	18

Source:

2002 Census of Agriculture, Volume 1 Geographic Area Series, Chapter 1 State Data and Chapter 2 - County Data. This presents summary statistics for Kentucky and each county with comparable data from the 1997 census. Data for 2002 and 1997 are directly comparable for acreage and inventories. Dollar values have not been adjusted for changes in price levels.