

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Whitley, Kentucky

Number of farms

530 farms in 2002, 431 farms in 1997, up 23 percent.

Land in farms

64,370 acres in 2002, 48,198 acres in 1997, up 34 percent.

Average size of farm

121 acres in 2002, 112 acres in 1997, up 8 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$4,843,000 in 2002, \$3,279,000 in 1997, up 48 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$1,203,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$3,640,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

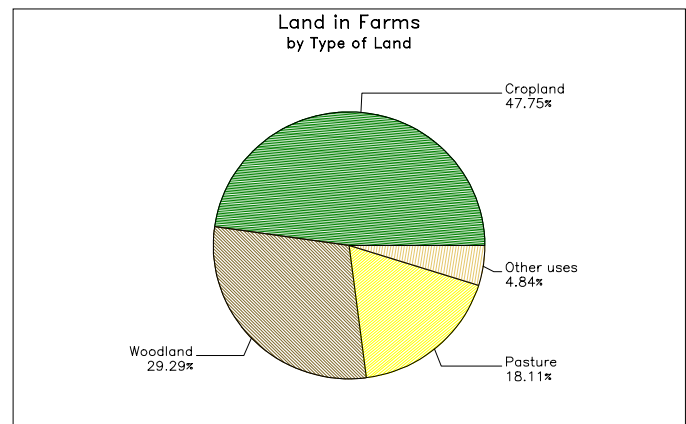
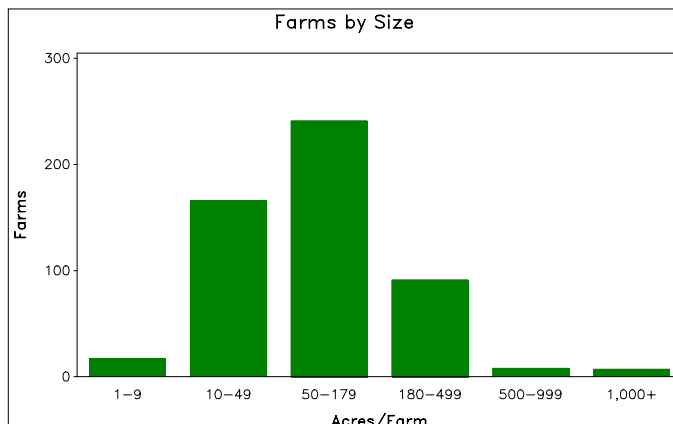
\$9,138 in 2002, \$7,608 in 1997, up 20 percent.

Government Payments

\$123,000 in 2002, \$21,000 in 1997, up 486 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,158 in 2002, \$342 in 1997, up 239 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	4,843	93	120	2,778	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,203	104	120	2,668	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	3,640	82	120	2,495	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	73	93	117	2,456	2,871
Tobacco	407	102	114	327	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	408	11	111	1,069	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	21	50	112	1,946	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	86	75	106	2,131	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	49	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	209	85	120	2,505	3,046
Poultry and eggs	970	36	115	960	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,349	72	120	2,053	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	105	86	106	2,130	2,493
Hogs and pigs	20	66	111	2,046	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	13	64	120	2,168	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	181	71	118	1,204	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	2	76	100	2,347	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	120,104	34	103	516	2,599
Cattle and calves	9,885	75	120	2,054	3,059
Horses and ponies	1,127	47	119	1,119	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,031	31	119	1,362	2,983
Hogs and pigs	284	57	112	1,876	2,926
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,291	69	120	1,486	3,059
Corn for grain	598	84	117	1,929	2,592
Corn for silage	340	58	106	1,562	2,307
Tobacco	153	101	114	317	563
All Vegetables harvested	121	16	110	1,167	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	177	Farming	273
\$1,000 to \$2,499	119	Other	257
\$2,500 to \$4,999	71	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	87	Male	484
\$10,000 to \$19,999	36	Female	46
\$20,000 to \$24,999	13	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	11	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	3	White	709
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	5	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	5	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	5,184	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	9,819	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	10
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	17		
Average per farm (\$)	32		

(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.

Whitley 2002 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE HIGHLIGHTS: 2002 AND 1997

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	ALL FARMS	
	2002	1997
Farms.....number..	530	431
Land in farms.....acres..	64,370	48,198
Average size of farm.....acres..	121	112
Median size of farm.....acres..	84	N/A
Estimated market value of land and buildings 1/:		
Average per farm.....dollars..	201,704	137,635
Average per acre.....dollars..	1,530	1,220
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment 1/:		
Average per farm.....dollars..	27,852	23,727
Farms by size:		
1 to 9 acres..	17	23
10 to 49 acres..	166	120
50 to 179 acres..	241	207
180 to 499 acres..	91	73
500 to 999 acres..	8	7
1,000 acres or more..	7	1
Total cropland.....farms..		
acres..	501	395
Harvested cropland.....farms..		
acres..	30,738	26,161
acres..	404	331
acres..	14,403	9,732
Irrigated land.....farms..		
acres..	4	3
acres..	22	9
Market value of agricultural products sold.\$1,000..		
Average per farm.....dollars..	4,843	3,279
dollars..	9,138	7,608
Crops (including nursery and greenhouse)...\$1,000..		
Livestock, poultry, and their products.....\$1,000..	1,203	1,135
\$1,000..	3,640	2,144
Principal operator by primary occupation:		
Farming.....number..	273	104
Other.....number..	257	327
Principal operator by days worked off farm:		
Any.....number..	299	291
200 days or more.....number..	233	225

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>

Whitley 2002 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE HIGHLIGHTS: 2002 AND 1997
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	ALL FARMS	
	2002	1997
Livestock and poultry:		
Cattle and calves inventory.....farms..	309	290
number..	9,885	7,992
Beef cows.....farms..	259	244
number..	5,375	4,366
Milk cows.....farms..	11	11
number..	52	73
Cattle and calves sold.....farms..	251	264
number..	4,553	4,832
Hogs and pigs inventory.....farms..	22	14
number..	284	117
Hogs and pigs sold.....farms..	16	11
number..	278	275
Sheep and lambs inventory.....farms..	6	2
number..	63	(D)
Layers 20 weeks old and older inventory.....farms..	26	19
number..	1,031	356
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold..farms..	3	-
number..	600,000	-
Selected crops harvested:		
Corn for grain.....farms..	36	35
acres..	598	467
bushels..	57,620	29,724
Winter wheat for grain.....farms..	-	-
acres..	-	-
bushels..	-	-
Barley for grain.....farms..	-	-
acres..	-	-
bushels..	-	-
Sorghum for grain.....farms..	-	-
acres..	-	-
bushels..	-	-
Soybeans for beans.....farms..	-	-
acres..	-	-
bushels..	-	-
Tobacco.....farms..	58	79
acres..	153	325
pounds..	245,996	535,250
Forage - land used for all hay and all haylage, grass silage, and greenchop.....farms..	373	(NA)
acres..	13,291	(NA)
tons, dry..	24,942	(NA)
Vegetables harvested for sale.....farms..	9	5
acres..	121	18
Land in orchards.....farms..	4	12
acres..	28	24

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.