

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Carter, Kentucky

Number of farms

925 farms in 2002, 976 farms in 1997, down 5 percent.

Land in farms

120,382 acres in 2002, 116,162 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

Average size of farm

130 acres in 2002, 119 acres in 1997, up 9 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$7,033,000 in 2002, \$9,836,000 in 1997, down 28 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$3,553,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$3,480,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

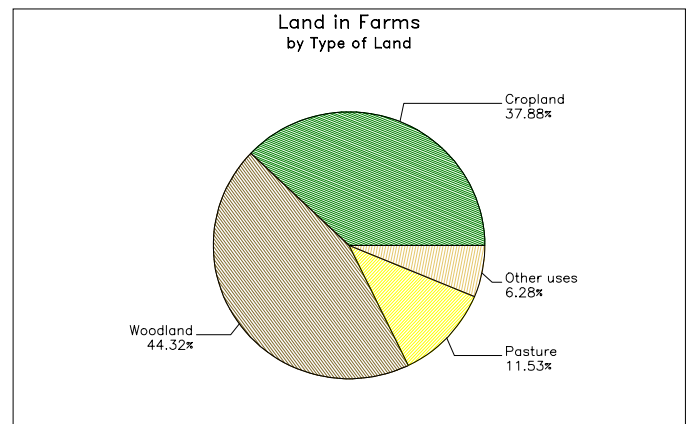
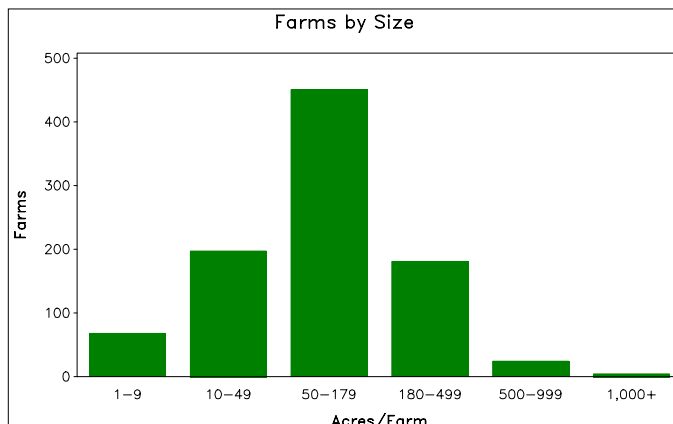
\$7,603 in 2002, \$10,078 in 1997, down 25 percent.

Government Payments

\$62,000 in 2002, \$27,000 in 1997, up 130 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$567 in 2002, \$556 in 1997, up 2 percent.



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

Carter, Kentucky

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	7,033	87	120	2,650	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	3,553	83	120	2,256	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	3,480	83	120	2,515	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	36	98	117	2,574	2,871
Tobacco	2,903	58	114	156	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	48	76	111	2,062	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	8	77	112	2,253	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	229	51	106	1,750	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	49	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	328	75	120	2,244	3,046
Poultry and eggs	2	81	115	2,449	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,323	74	120	2,066	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	674	56	106	1,527	2,493
Hogs and pigs	12	72	111	2,255	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	21	50	120	1,851	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	443	39	118	456	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	5	54	100	2,048	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	10,828	71	120	1,988	3,059
Horses and ponies	1,587	26	119	697	3,065
All Goats	1,260	11	119	345	2,971
Layers 20 weeks old and older	492	57	119	1,913	2,983
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	242	46	103	1,409	2,599
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,305	74	120	1,564	3,059
Tobacco	940	53	114	140	563
Corn for grain	228	100	117	2,176	2,592
Corn for silage	118	83	106	1,923	2,307
All Vegetables harvested	49	42	110	1,599	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	223	Farming	456
\$1,000 to \$2,499	247	Other	469
\$2,500 to \$4,999	149		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	138	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	93	Male	855
\$20,000 to \$24,999	18	Female	70
\$25,000 to \$39,999	23		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	18		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	7	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	White	1,318
\$500,000 or more	-	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	7,527	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Average per farm (\$)	8,076	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-44	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	-47	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3

(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.

Carter 2002 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE HIGHLIGHTS: 2002 AND 1997

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	ALL FARMS	
	2002	1997
Farms.....number..	925	976
Land in farms.....acres..	120,382	116,162
Average size of farm.....acres..	130	119
Median size of farm.....acres..	97	N/A
Estimated market value of land and buildings 1/:		
Average per farm.....dollars..	154,748	93,080
Average per acre.....dollars..	1,496	819
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment 1/:		
Average per farm.....dollars..	31,133	19,834
Farms by size:		
1 to 9 acres..	68	107
10 to 49 acres..	197	206
50 to 179 acres..	451	465
180 to 499 acres..	181	177
500 to 999 acres..	24	18
1,000 acres or more..	4	3
Total cropland.....farms..		
acres..	859	914
Harvested cropland.....farms..		
acres..	45,595	44,505
farms..	711	808
acres..	13,671	13,971
Irrigated land.....farms..		
acres..	18	12
farms..	26	95
Market value of agricultural products sold.\$1,000..		
Average per farm.....dollars..	7,033	9,836
farms..	7,603	10,078
Crops (including nursery and greenhouse)...\$1,000..		
Livestock, poultry, and their products.....\$1,000..	3,553	6,515
farms..	3,480	3,321
Principal operator by primary occupation:		
Farming.....number..	456	320
Other.....number..	469	656
Principal operator by days worked off farm:		
Any.....number..	516	593
200 days or more.....number..	402	438

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>

Carter 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..	464 515
	number..	10,828 10,916
Beef cows.....	farms..	378 433
	number..	5,503 5,433
Milk cows.....	farms..	23 25
	number..	307 374
Cattle and calves sold.....	farms..	348 450
	number..	5,585 5,560
Hogs and pigs inventory.....	farms..	23 10
	number..	239 422
Hogs and pigs sold.....	farms..	17 7
	number..	179 589
Sheep and lambs inventory.....	farms..	4 2
	number..	88 (D)
Layers 20 weeks old and older inventory.....	farms..	25 25
	number..	492 329
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold.....	farms..	3 -
	number..	(D) -
Selected crops harvested:		
Corn for grain.....	farms..	24 58
	acres..	228 684
	bushels..	17,116 60,378
Winter wheat for grain.....	farms..	2 (NA)
	acres..	(D) (NA)
	bushels..	(D) (NA)
Barley for grain.....	farms..	- -
	acres..	- -
	bushels..	- -
Sorghum for grain.....	farms..	- -
	acres..	- -
	bushels..	- -
Soybeans for beans.....	farms..	1 (NA)
	acres..	(D) (NA)
	bushels..	(D) (NA)
Tobacco.....	farms..	363 597
	acres..	940 1,987
	pounds..	1,617,424 3,492,487
Forage - land used for all hay and all haylage, grass silage, and greenchop.....	farms..	484 (NA)
	acres..	12,305 (NA)
	tons, dry..	23,768 (NA)
Vegetables harvested for sale.....	farms..	15 4
	acres..	49 9
Land in orchards.....	farms..	7 7
	acres..	10 7

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.