

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Christian, Kentucky

Number of farms

1,267 farms in 2002, 1,291 farms in 1997, down 2 percent.

Land in farms

342,180 acres in 2002, 321,585 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

Average size of farm

270 acres in 2002, 249 acres in 1997, up 8 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$77,031,000 in 2002, \$85,736,000 in 1997, down 10 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$53,727,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$23,304,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

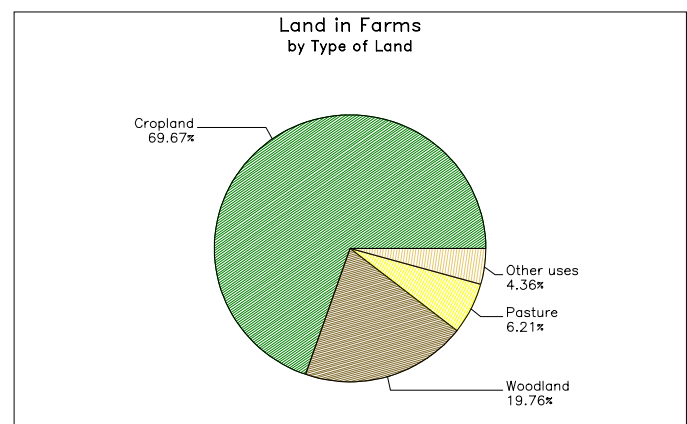
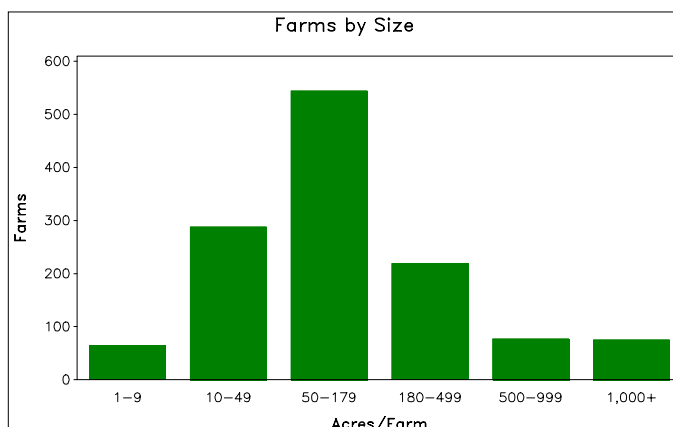
\$60,798 in 2002, \$66,410 in 1997, down 8 percent.

Government Payments

\$5,106,000 in 2002, \$3,628,000 in 1997, up 41 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$8,539 in 2002, \$5,795 in 1997, up 47 percent.



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

Christian, 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	77,031	6	120	727	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	53,727	1	120	433	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	23,304	26	120	1,167	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	35,905	2	117	392	2,871
Tobacco	13,944	1	114	26	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	764	5	111	848	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	167	8	112	996	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,021	14	106	798	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	49	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	926	28	120	1,313	3,046
Poultry and eggs	4,348	23	115	646	2,918
Cattle and calves	9,336	23	120	1,038	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	6,318	13	106	531	2,493
Hogs and pigs	2,747	10	111	634	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	25	41	120	1,743	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	519	31	118	370	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	10	39	100	1,806	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	361,072	23	103	423	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	99,956	8	119	405	2,983
Cattle and calves	37,849	22	120	830	3,059
Hogs and pigs	12,414	13	112	653	2,926
Quail	(D)	7	40	(D)	1,412
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	70,221	2	117	350	2,592
Soybeans	58,591	6	100	500	2,076
All Wheat for grain	39,906	1	101	293	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	28,137	34	120	785	3,059
Tobacco	2,663	3	114	38	563

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	362	Farming	773
\$1,000 to \$2,499	107	Other	494
\$2,500 to \$4,999	101		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	143	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	142	Male	1,151
\$20,000 to \$24,999	37	Female	116
\$25,000 to \$39,999	72		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	32	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	101		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	99	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	36	White	1,624
\$500,000 or more	35	Black or African American	62
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	59,996	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Average per farm (\$)	47,278	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	26,343	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	20,759	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	7

(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.

Christian 2002 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE HIGHLIGHTS: 2002 AND 1997

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	ALL FARMS	
	2002	1997
Farms.....number..	1,267	1,291
Land in farms.....acres..	342,180	321,585
Average size of farm.....acres..	270	249
Median size of farm.....acres..	119	N/A
Estimated market value of land and buildings 1/:		
Average per farm.....dollars..	429,627	356,389
Average per acre.....dollars..	1,696	1,399
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment 1/:		
Average per farm.....dollars..	57,395	58,101
Farms by size:		
1 to 9 acres..	64	99
10 to 49 acres..	288	249
50 to 179 acres..	544	526
180 to 499 acres..	219	273
500 to 999 acres..	77	80
1,000 acres or more..	75	64
Total cropland.....farms..		
1,176	1,176	1,181
acres..		
238,403	238,403	237,344
Harvested cropland.....farms..		
826	826	955
acres..		
168,759	168,759	170,098
Irrigated land.....farms..		
80	80	40
acres..		
1,642	1,642	1,977
Market value of agricultural products sold.\$1,000..		
77,031	77,031	85,736
Average per farm.....dollars..		
60,798	60,798	66,410
Crops (including nursery and greenhouse)...\$1,000..		
53,727	53,727	64,515
Livestock, poultry, and their products.....\$1,000..		
23,304	23,304	21,221
Principal operator by primary occupation:		
Farming.....number..	773	597
Other.....number..	494	694
Principal operator by days worked off farm:		
Any.....number..	636	708
200 days or more.....number..	437	501

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>

Christian 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.. 599	694
	number.. 37,849	38,666
Beef cows.....	farms.. 444	547
	number.. 15,191	17,938
Milk cows.....	farms.. 95	72
	number.. 3,077	1,991
Cattle and calves sold.....	farms.. 525	684
	number.. 19,420	24,138
Hogs and pigs inventory.....	farms.. 47	67
	number.. 12,414	20,170
Hogs and pigs sold.....	farms.. 39	58
	number.. 32,386	42,243
Sheep and lambs inventory.....	farms.. 15	8
	number.. 101	114
Layers 20 weeks old and older inventory.....	farms.. 54	36
	number.. 99,956	80,858
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold.....	farms.. 10	5
	number.. 1,891,352	(D)
Selected crops harvested:		
Corn for grain.....	farms.. 269	333
	acres.. 70,221	65,259
	bushels.. 7,856,923	8,034,035
Winter wheat for grain.....	farms.. 145	193
	acres.. 39,906	46,402
	bushels.. 2,244,407	2,685,720
Barley for grain.....	farms.. 7	(NA)
	acres.. 206	(NA)
	bushels.. 5,504	(NA)
Sorghum for grain.....	farms.. 1	(NA)
	acres.. (D)	(NA)
	bushels.. (D)	(NA)
Soybeans for beans.....	farms.. 207	266
	acres.. 58,591	63,250
	bushels.. 2,086,666	2,103,105
Tobacco.....	farms.. 312	504
	acres.. 2,663	4,424
	pounds.. 6,845,364	9,545,288
Forage - land used for all hay and all haylage, grass silage, and greenchop.....	farms.. 592	(NA)
	acres.. 28,137	(NA)
	tons, dry.. 60,081	(NA)
Vegetables harvested for sale.....	farms.. 54	34
	acres.. 338	100
Land in orchards.....	farms.. 16	16
	acres.. 66	55

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.