

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Ballard, Kentucky

Number of farms

486 farms in 2002, 541 farms in 1997, down 10 percent.

Land in farms

113,017 acres in 2002, 125,528 acres in 1997, down 10 percent.

Average size of farm

233 acres in 2002, 232 acres in 1997, up slightly.

Market Value of Production

\$34,334,000 in 2002, \$36,147,000 in 1997, down 5 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$15,357,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$18,977,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

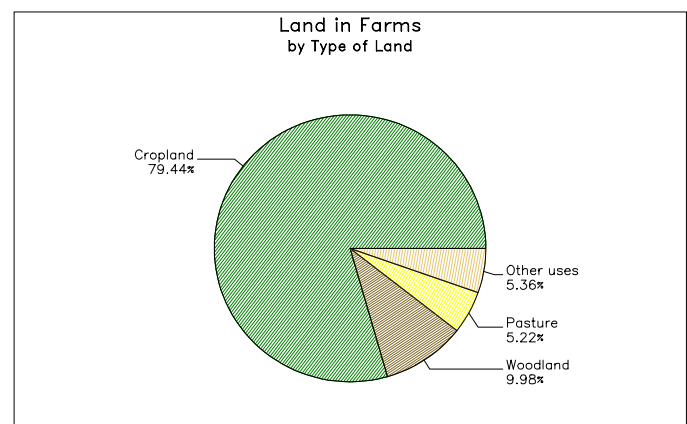
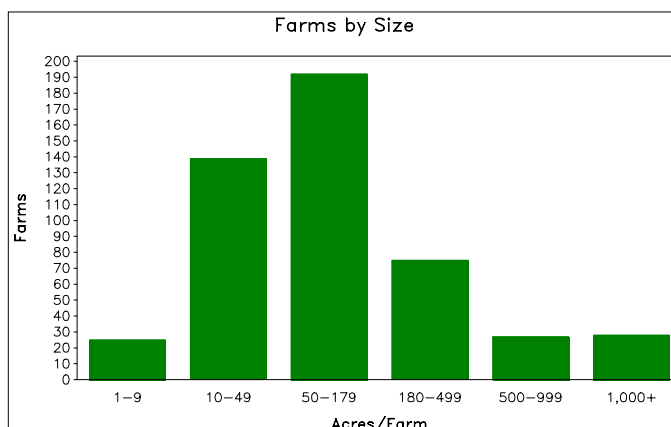
\$70,647 in 2002, \$66,815 in 1997, up 6 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,382,000 in 2002, \$1,410,000 in 1997, down 2 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$6,428 in 2002, \$4,846 in 1997, up 33 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	34,334	30	120	1,589	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	15,357	20	120	1,362	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	18,977	35	120	1,346	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	12,013	16	117	922	2,871
Tobacco	3,060	55	114	151	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	111	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	112	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	62	81	106	2,210	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	49	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	178	88	120	2,577	3,046
Poultry and eggs	14,861	11	115	359	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,120	79	120	2,128	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	705	54	106	1,506	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1,116	20	111	848	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	10	81	120	2,322	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	162	78	118	1,322	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	4	57	100	2,111	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,361,131	9	103	241	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	12	119	(D)	2,983
Cattle and calves	9,393	78	120	2,108	3,059
Hogs and pigs	7,312	19	112	807	2,926
Horses and ponies	599	85	119	1,945	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	39,814	13	100	627	2,076
Corn for grain	22,422	16	117	780	2,592
All Wheat for grain	10,372	10	101	630	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	7,176	91	120	2,044	3,059
Tobacco	704	64	114	167	563

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	118	Farming	232
\$1,000 to \$2,499	56	Other	254
\$2,500 to \$4,999	69		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	56	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	55	Male	452
\$20,000 to \$24,999	16	Female	34
\$25,000 to \$39,999	28		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	14	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	19	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	16	White	666
\$500,000 or more	24	Black or African American	2
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	29,217	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	60,366	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	10,470	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	21,633	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	11

(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.

Ballard 2002 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE HIGHLIGHTS: 2002 AND 1997

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	ALL FARMS	
	2002	1997
Farms.....number..	486	541
Land in farms.....acres..	113,017	125,528
Average size of farm.....acres..	233	232
Median size of farm.....acres..	93	N/A
Estimated market value of land and buildings 1/:		
Average per farm.....dollars..	412,092	302,678
Average per acre.....dollars..	1,695	1,362
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment 1/:		
Average per farm.....dollars..	50,268	55,678
Farms by size:		
1 to 9 acres..	25	40
10 to 49 acres..	139	127
50 to 179 acres..	192	203
180 to 499 acres..	75	109
500 to 999 acres..	27	38
1,000 acres or more..	28	24
Total cropland.....farms..		
acres..	462	502
Harvested cropland.....farms..		
acres..	89,783	99,894
farms..	353	385
acres..	71,870	74,158
Irrigated land.....farms..		
acres..	25	15
farms..	210	119
Market value of agricultural products sold.\$1,000..		
Average per farm.....dollars..	34,334	36,147
farms..	70,647	66,815
Crops (including nursery and greenhouse)...\$1,000..		
Livestock, poultry, and their products.....\$1,000..	15,357	22,483
farms..	18,977	13,664
Principal operator by primary occupation:		
Farming.....number..	232	198
Other.....number..	254	343
Principal operator by days worked off farm:		
Any.....number..	288	344
200 days or more.....number..	229	256

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>

Ballard 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..	152	203
number..	9,393	11,458
Beef cows.....farms..	137	179
number..	5,188	5,663
Milk cows.....farms..	4	4
number..	478	609
Cattle and calves sold.....farms..	141	200
number..	4,764	5,302
Hogs and pigs inventory.....farms..	7	16
number..	7,312	10,485
Hogs and pigs sold.....farms..	6	15
number..	14,658	18,234
Sheep and lambs inventory.....farms..	4	7
number..	141	70
Layers 20 weeks old and older inventory.....farms..	6	10
number..	(D)	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold..farms..	14	12
number..	8,954,738	5,037,800
Selected crops harvested:		
Corn for grain.....farms..	76	122
acres..	22,422	22,119
bushels..	2,140,439	2,646,880
Winter wheat for grain.....farms..	46	89
acres..	10,372	13,969
bushels..	470,077	753,482
Barley for grain.....farms..	4	(NA)
acres..	193	(NA)
bushels..	11,248	(NA)
Sorghum for grain.....farms..	6	13
acres..	622	922
bushels..	56,590	75,264
Soybeans for beans.....farms..	163	172
acres..	39,814	40,103
bushels..	1,266,283	1,254,702
Tobacco.....farms..	119	225
acres..	704	1,652
pounds..	1,595,817	3,352,771
Forage - land used for all hay and all haylage, grass silage, and greenchop.....farms..	179	(NA)
acres..	7,176	(NA)
tons, dry..	17,645	(NA)
Vegetables harvested for sale.....farms..	5	5
acres..	15	10
Land in orchards.....farms..	4	3
acres..	5	9

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.