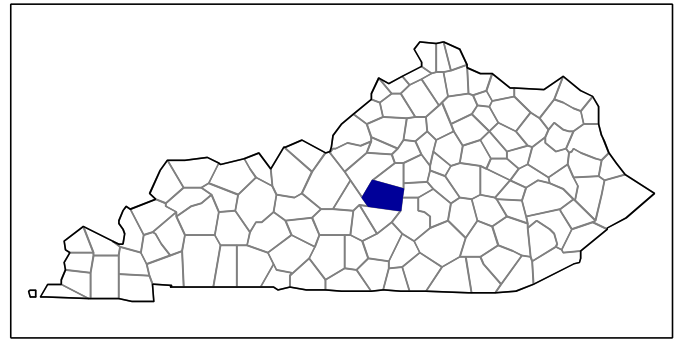




2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile



Marion, Kentucky

Number of farms

1,054 farms in 2002, 1,072 farms in 1997, down 2 percent.

Land in farms

171,252 acres in 2002, 172,011 acres in 1997, down slightly.

Average size of farm

162 acres in 2002, 160 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$28,754,000 in 2002, \$34,336,000 in 1997, down 16 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$8,646,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$20,108,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

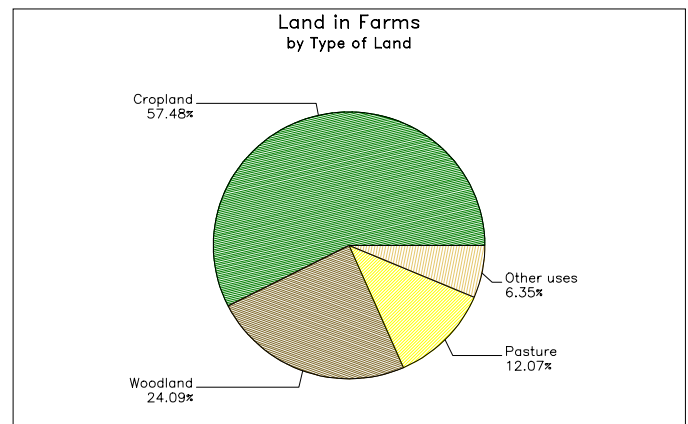
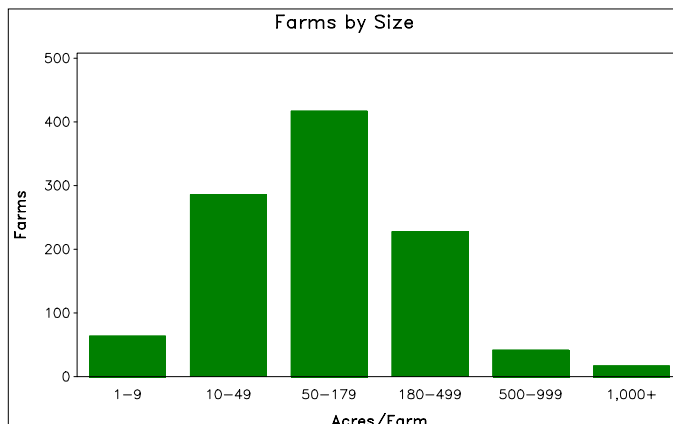
\$27,281 in 2002, \$32,029 in 1997, down 15 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,456,000 in 2002, \$557,000 in 1997, up 161 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,904 in 2002, \$1,555 in 1997, up 151 percent.



**2002 Census of Agriculture
County Profile
United States Department of Agriculture, Kentucky Agricultural Statistics Service**

Marion, 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	28,754	41	120	1,745	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	8,646	47	120	1,759	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	20,108	31	120	1,293	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,535	36	117	1,486	2,871
Tobacco	4,837	33	114	102	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	79	78	106	2,159	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	49	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,162	21	120	1,099	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	115	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	9,627	21	120	1,018	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	7,969	5	106	452	2,493
Hogs and pigs	2,120	14	111	701	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	41	27	120	1,417	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	115	85	118	1,646	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	51	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	196	5	100	599	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	43,976	13	120	686	3,059
Hogs and pigs	12,829	11	112	644	2,926
Horses and ponies	1,128	46	119	1,116	3,065
All Goats	1,045	18	119	452	2,971
Pheasants ³	(D)	(D)	36	(D)	1,541
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	39,240	18	120	499	3,059
Soybeans	9,152	34	100	1,054	2,076
Corn for grain	5,007	38	117	1,275	2,592
Corn for silage	2,992	5	106	564	2,307
Tobacco	1,217	39	114	113	563

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	179	Farming	554
\$1,000 to \$2,499	136	Other	500
\$2,500 to \$4,999	139		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	169	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	133	Male	987
\$20,000 to \$24,999	43	Female	67
\$25,000 to \$39,999	100		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	35	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	58		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	40	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	18	White	1,388
\$500,000 or more	4	Black or African American	16
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	25,125	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
Average per farm (\$)	23,883	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	5,532	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	5,258	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	10

(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.

³ Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.

Marion 2002 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE HIGHLIGHTS: 2002 AND 1997

--- ITEM ---

	ALL FARMS	
	2002	1997
Farms.....number..	1,054	1,072
Land in farms.....acres..	171,252	172,011
Average size of farm.....acres..	162	160
Median size of farm.....acres..	116	N/A
Estimated market value of land and buildings 1/:		
Average per farm.....dollars..	297,048	178,279
Average per acre.....dollars..	1,771	1,151
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment 1/:		
Average per farm.....dollars..	37,049	39,940
Farms by size:		
1 to 9 acres..	64	76
10 to 49 acres..	286	237
50 to 179 acres..	417	446
180 to 499 acres..	228	261
500 to 999 acres..	42	39
1,000 acres or more..	17	13
Total cropland.....farms..		
1,005	1,005	1,028
acres..		
98,444	98,444	104,399
Harvested cropland.....farms..		
892	892	966
acres..		
56,468	56,468	50,681
Irrigated land.....farms..		
43	43	93
acres..		
173	173	597
Market value of agricultural products sold.\$1,000..		
28,754	28,754	34,336
Average per farm.....dollars..		
27,281	27,281	32,029
Crops (including nursery and greenhouse)...\$1,000..		
8,646	8,646	14,883
Livestock, poultry, and their products.....\$1,000..		
20,108	20,108	19,452
Principal operator by primary occupation:		
Farming.....number..	554	422
Other.....number..	500	650
Principal operator by days worked off farm:		
Any.....number..	651	651
200 days or more.....number..	482	513

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>

