

# Illinois County Profile Fayette County

Census of Agriculture (2002)	Value	Rank
Average Age of Principal Farm Operator	54.3	
Number of Farms:	1,248	8
By Value of Sales:		
Less than \$10,000	705	
\$10,000 - \$99,999	344	
\$100,000 or more	199	
By Size:		
1 - 49 Acres	401	
50 - 499 Acres	620	
500 or more Acres	227	
Land in Farms, Acres	365,680	21
Avg. Value of Land & Bldgs. per Acre	\$1,714	81
Avg. Value of Ag. Products Sold per Farm	\$53,278	85
Avg. Farm Prod. Expenses per Farm	\$44,568	87
Avg. Net Cash Income per Farm	\$16,009	73

Livestock	No. of Head	Rank
Hogs & Pigs (12/1/2006)	8,200	81
Cattle & Calves (1/1/2007)	16,600	28
Beef Cows (1/1/2007)	6,700	20

Cash Receipts (2006)	\$1,000	Rank	
Crops	68,257	41	
Livestock	14,884	45	



## **Fayette Co Information**

**Fayette County** is a county located in the state of Illinois. As of 2000, the population is 21,802. Its county seat is Vandalia, Illinois.

Fayette County was formed in 1821 out of Bond, Clark and Crawford Counties. It was named in honor of LaFayette, French hero of the American Revolutionary War.

Vandalia was the state capital of Illinois from 1820-1839. The Statehouse, the oldest remaining capitol building in Illinois has been restored to look as it did when Lincoln, Douglas and other famous Illinoisians legislated here.

### Fayette Co Geography

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the county has a total area of 1,879 km (725 mi). 1,856 km (716 mi) of it is land and 23 km (9 mi) of it is water. The total area is 1.22% water.

#### **Cities and Towns**

- Brownstown
  - Farina
- St. Peter Vandalia

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St. Elmo

Ramsey

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#### Attractions

- Fayette County Museum
- Little Brick House
- Tribute to Farmers Monument

Crops (2006)	Acres Harv.	Yield	Prod.	Rank
Corn, Bu.	103,700	121	12,547,700	58
Soybeans, Bu.	143,400	40	5,736,000	33
Wheat, Bu.	21,700	65	1,410,500	13
Sorghum, Bu.	N/A			
All Hay, Tons	10,100	2.64	26,640	28
Oats, Bu.	N/A			