



# Illinois County Profile

## Ford County

Census of Agriculture (2002)	Value	Rank
Average Age of Principal Farm Operator	55.3	
Number of Farms:	530	70
By Value of Sales:		
Less than \$10,000	109	
\$10,000 - \$99,999	183	
\$100,000 or more	238	
By Size:		
1 - 49 Acres	86	
50 - 499 Acres	232	
500 or more Acres	212	
Land in Farms, Acres	286,069	39
Avg. Value of Land & Bldgs. per Acre	\$2,608	36
Avg. Value of Ag. Products Sold per Farm	\$155,426	16
Avg. Farm Prod. Expenses per Farm	\$113,425	23
Avg. Net Cash Income per Farm	\$55,955	6

Livestock	No. of Head	Rank
Hogs & Pigs (12/1/2006)	40,900	38
Cattle & Calves (1/1/2007)	3,800	84
Beef Cows (1/1/2007)	N/A	

Cash Receipts (2006)	\$1,000	Rank
Crops	84,853	29
Livestock	9,088	63

Crops (2006)	Acres Harv.	Yield	Prod.	Rank
Corn, Bu.	141,200	168	23,721,600	29
Soybeans, Bu.	126,500	50	6,325,000	20
Wheat, Bu.	5,400	79	426,600	42
Sorghum, Bu.	N/A			
All Hay, Tons	N/A			
Oats, Bu.	N/A			

### Ford Co Information

**Ford County** is a county located in the state of Illinois. Its county seat is Paxton, Illinois.

Ford County was formed in 1859. It was the last of Illinois' 102 counties to be formed. The County was named in honor of Thomas Ford, who served as Governor of Illinois from 1842 to 1846. He is mostly remembered for his involvement in the Illinois Mormon War.

### Ford Co Geography

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the county has a total area of 1,260 km (486 mi). 1,258 km (486 mi) of it is land and 1 km (1 mi) of it is water. The total area is 0.11% water.

### Cities and Towns

- Cabery
- Elliott
- Gibson City
- Kempton
- Melvin
- Paxton
- Piper City
- Roberts
- Sibley
- Stelle

### Attractions

- Ford County Historical Museum
- Grand Prairie Families and Farm
- IL Ctrl Railroad Historical Soc Museum
- Middlecoff Mansion
- Ten Mile Grove