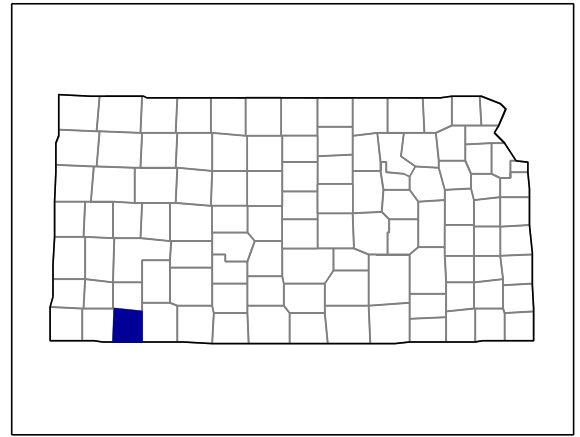




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Number of farms

350 farms in 2002, 266 farms in 1997, up 32 percent.

Land in farms

362,682 acres in 2002, 327,473 acres in 1997, up 11 percent.

Average size of farm

1,036 acres in 2002, 1,231 acres in 1997, down 16 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$276,113,000 in 2002, \$257,294,000 in 1997, up 7 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$31,007,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$245,106,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

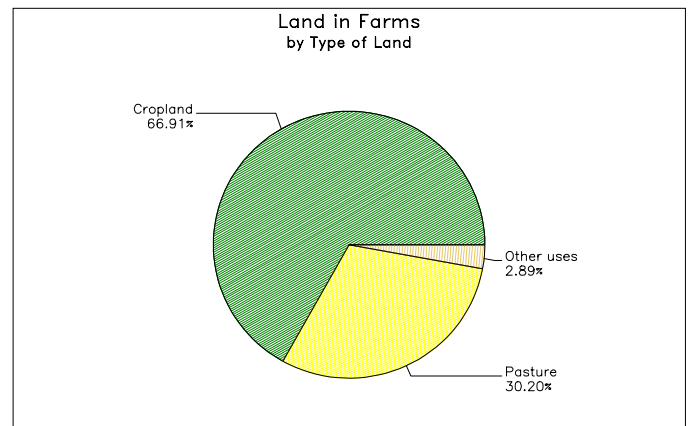
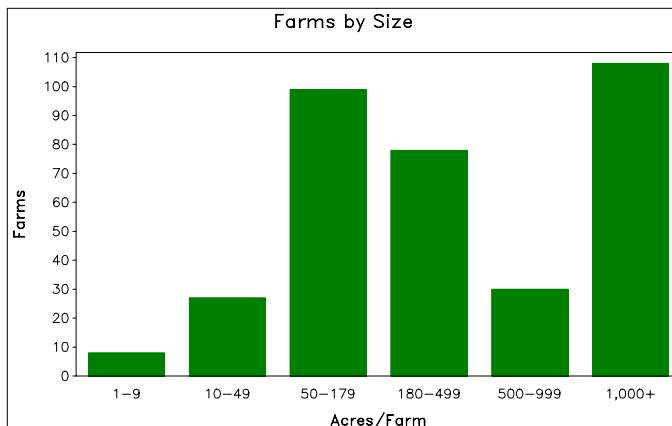
\$788,894 in 2002, \$967,270 in 1997, down 18 percent.

Government Payments

\$3,384,000 in 2002, \$3,339,000 in 1997, up 1 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$14,218 in 2002, \$18,145 in 1997, down 22 percent.



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Ranked items among the 105 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	276,113	7	105	90	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	31,007	27	105	841	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	245,106	7	105	55	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	25,648	28	105	555	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	5	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	469	8	28	426	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	77	-	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	40	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	4,205	12	105	290	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	100	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	105	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	4,536	18	105	508	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	29	53	105	1,642	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	30	71	105	2,607	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	22	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	136,532	6	105	65	3,059
Hogs and pigs	18,505	23	105	548	2,926
Horses and ponies	502	49	105	2,157	3,065
Sheep and lambs	216	80	103	1,933	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	193	76	105	2,493	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Wheat for grain	49,679	68	105	253	2,517
Corn for grain	46,640	18	105	526	2,592
Sorghum for grain	25,121	51	105	91	1,307
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	11,827	94	105	1,605	3,059
Soybeans	5,253	73	105	1,187	2,076

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	156
\$1,000 to \$2,499	13
\$2,500 to \$4,999	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	12
\$10,000 to \$19,999	23
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12
\$25,000 to \$39,999	12
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	21
\$100,000 to \$249,999	32
\$250,000 to \$499,999	19
\$500,000 or more	32
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	272,889
Average per farm (\$)	781,916
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	8,002
Average per farm (\$)	22,928

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	224
Other	126
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	300
Female	50
Average age of principal operator (years)	57.3
All operators ² by race:	
White	453
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	1
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	6

(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.