

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Black Hawk, Iowa

### Number of farms

939 farms in 2002, 1,061 farms in 1997, down 11 percent.

### Land in farms

275,014 acres in 2002, 292,620 acres in 1997, down 6 percent.

### Average size of farm

293 acres in 2002, 276 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$114,383,000 in 2002, \$129,897,000 in 1997, down 12 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$69,697,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$44,686,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

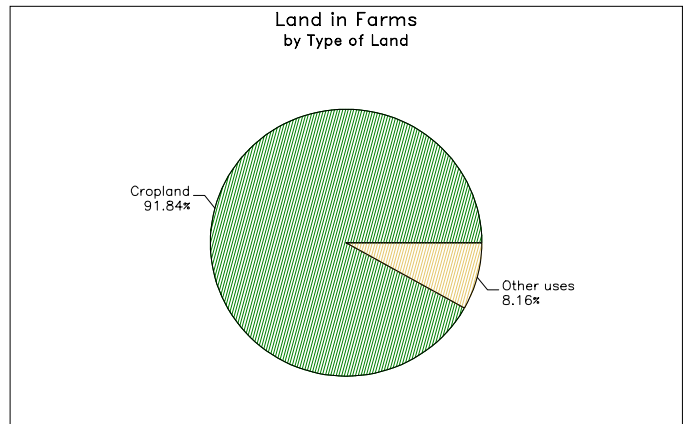
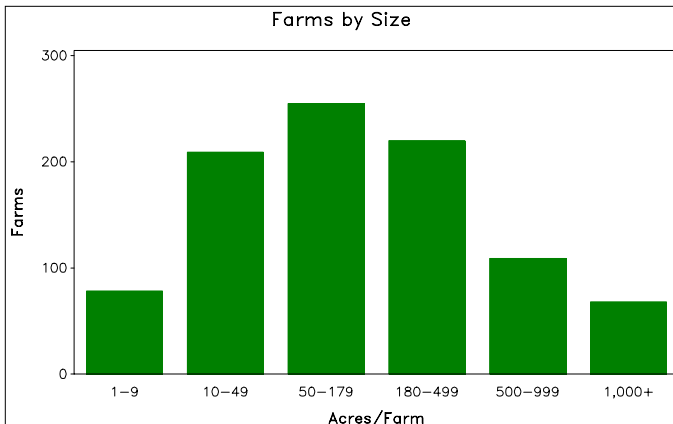
\$121,814 in 2002, \$122,429 in 1997, down 1 percent.

### Government Payments

\$4,967,000 in 2002, \$6,269,000 in 1997, down 21 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$7,823 in 2002, \$7,886 in 1997, down 1 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 99 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	114,383	49	99	406	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	69,697	40	99	288	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	44,686	54	99	636	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	66,537	39	99	128	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	440	8	92	1,050	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	64	20	87	1,467	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,019	13	95	799	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	71	4	74	535	1,774
Other crops and hay	568	77	99	1,794	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	8,414	83	99	1,120	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	2,496	31	96	923	2,493
Hogs and pigs	32,604	33	99	86	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	213	16	99	1,054	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	31	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	88	28	94	920	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	161,464	32	99	84	2,926
Cattle and calves	14,833	87	99	1,750	3,059
Sheep and lambs	2,152	43	99	524	2,867
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	27	97	(D)	2,599
Horses and ponies	675	55	99	1,796	3,065
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	124,214	46	99	139	2,592
Soybeans	109,283	48	99	213	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	5,659	77	99	2,221	3,059
Corn for silage	1,085	75	99	1,071	2,307
Oats	1,007	52	99	512	2,215

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	174
\$1,000 to \$2,499	35
\$2,500 to \$4,999	45
\$5,000 to \$9,999	47
\$10,000 to \$19,999	66
\$20,000 to \$24,999	36
\$25,000 to \$39,999	75
\$40,000 to \$49,999	49
\$50,000 to \$99,999	155
\$100,000 to \$249,999	127
\$250,000 to \$499,999	85
\$500,000 or more	45
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	99,276
Average per farm (\$)	105,838
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	31,962
Average per farm (\$)	34,075

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	581
Other	358
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	893
Female	46
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.6
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	1,316
Black or African American	1
American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.