

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Hardin, Iowa

### Number of farms

829 farms in 2002, 902 farms in 1997, down 8 percent.

### Land in farms

327,725 acres in 2002, 349,851 acres in 1997, down 6 percent.

### Average size of farm

395 acres in 2002, 388 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$251,970,000 in 2002, \$204,626,000 in 1997, up 23 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$81,102,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$170,868,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

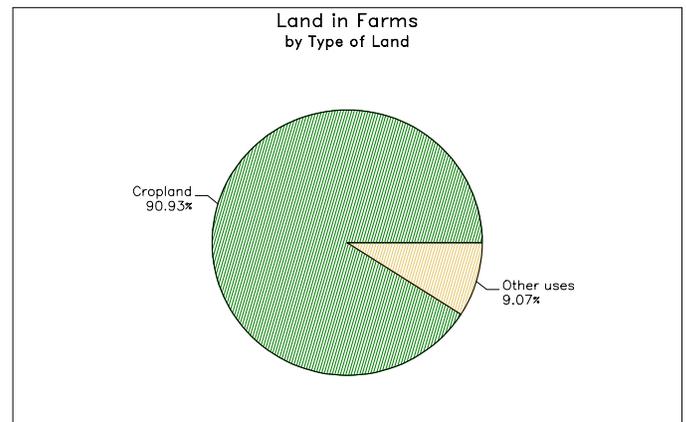
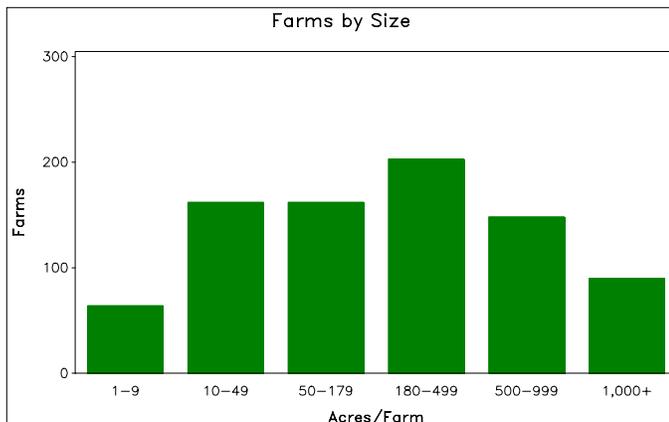
\$303,944 in 2002, \$226,859 in 1997, up 34 percent.

### Government Payments

\$5,438,000 in 2002, \$6,652,000 in 1997, down 18 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,140 in 2002, \$9,899 in 1997, down 8 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	251,970	5	99	103	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	81,102	27	99	213	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	170,868	5	99	84	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	80,056	23	99	66	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	257	38	95	1,706	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	74	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	96	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	146,839	2	99	6	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	51	83	99	1,238	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	141	39	99	1,443	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	31	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	26	46	94	1,408	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	14	99	(D)	2,983
Hogs and pigs	887,938	1	99	4	2,926
Turkeys	(D)	5	88	(D)	2,328
Cattle and calves	19,839	69	99	1,458	3,059
Sheep and lambs	1,167	69	99	872	2,867
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	154,606	26	99	73	2,592
Soybeans	124,764	37	99	144	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	5,598	78	99	2,226	3,059
Corn for silage	818	82	99	1,200	2,307
Oats	418	89	99	935	2,215

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	145	Farming	576
\$1,000 to \$2,499	29	Other	253
\$2,500 to \$4,999	38		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	32	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	52	Male	788
\$20,000 to \$24,999	20	Female	41
\$25,000 to \$39,999	56		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	25	Average age of principal operator (years)	52.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	114		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	143	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	91	White	1,135
\$500,000 or more	84	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	209,300	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	251,261	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	56,844	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	68,240	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.