

2002 Census of Agriculture Municipio Profile

Arecibo, Puerto Rico

Number of farms

207 farms in 2002, 295 farms in 1998, down 30 percent.

Land in farms

25,136 cuerdas in 2002, 27,328 cuerdas in 1998, down 8 percent.

Average size of farm

121 cuerdas in 2002, 93 cuerdas in 1998, up 30 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$47,684,440 in 2002, \$44,643,516 in 1998, up 7 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$5,423,499 of the total value in 2002.

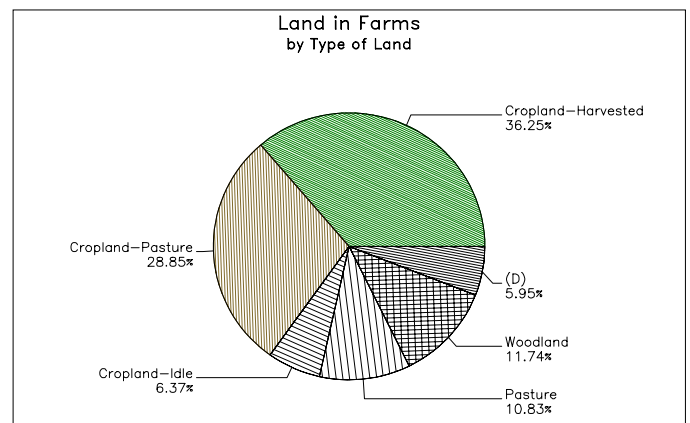
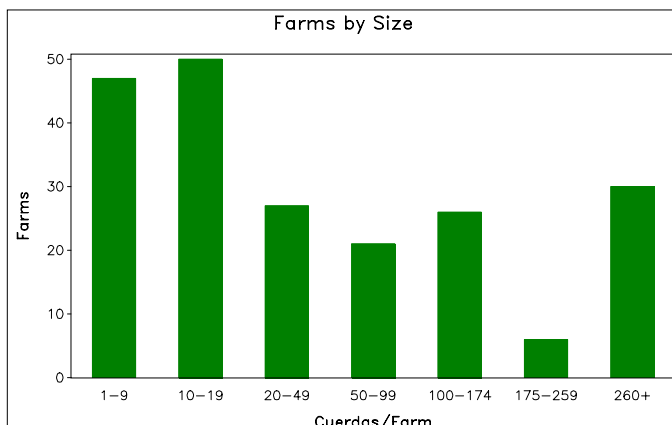
Livestock sales accounted for \$42,260,941 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

\$230,360 in 2002, \$151,334 in 1998, up 52 percent.

Government Payments

\$3,733,213 in 2002, \$1,470,394 in 1998, up 154 percent.



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Ranked items among the 78 Puerto Rico municipios

Item	Quantity	Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	47,684,440	2	76
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	5,423,499	17	76
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	42,260,941	2	76
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$)			
Horticulture specialties	1,518,020	13	64
Plantains	81,447	56	74
Coffee	(D)	(D)	63
Vegetables or melons	162,098	24	71
Fruit	79,485	28	71
Bananas	11,040	49	71
Root crops or tubers	4,206	60	70
Grains	2,368	42	62
Grasses and other crops	(D)	(D)	66
Poultry and eggs	8,495	40	66
Cattle and calves	2,259,577	2	75
Milk products	38,314,234	2	38
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	73
Sheep and goats	67,400	1	61
Other livestock and other livestock products	202,750	8	66
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)			
Cattle and calves	29,917	2	75
Hogs and pigs	7,121	2	73
Rabbits	4,775	3	59
Poultry	1,655	40	72
Sheep	1,129	5	69
TOP CROP ITEMS (cuerdas)			
Grasses or other crops	9,333	1	74
Pineapples	(D)	2	17
Palm trees	84	5	54
Coffee	53	39	64
Oranges	43	20	68

Other Municipio Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
\$60,000 or more	74	Farming	109
\$40,000 to \$59,999	5	Other	92
\$20,000 to \$39,999	9	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	14	Male	199
\$7,500 to \$9,999	5	Female	8
\$5,000 to \$7,499	16	All operators by highest level of school attended:	
\$2,500 to \$4,999	18	None	1
\$1,000 to \$2,499	16	Elementary	17
Less than \$1,000	50	Secondary	124
Farm production expenses (\$)		College	45
Wages and salaries	6,796,519	Graduate	11
Contract labor	292,108		

(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 municipios in Puerto Rico with item.