

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Carter, Kentucky

Number of farms

925 farms in 2002, 976 farms in 1997, down 5 percent.

Land in farms

120,382 acres in 2002, 116,162 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

Average size of farm

130 acres in 2002, 119 acres in 1997, up 9 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$7,033,000 in 2002, \$9,836,000 in 1997, down 28 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$3,553,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$3,480,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

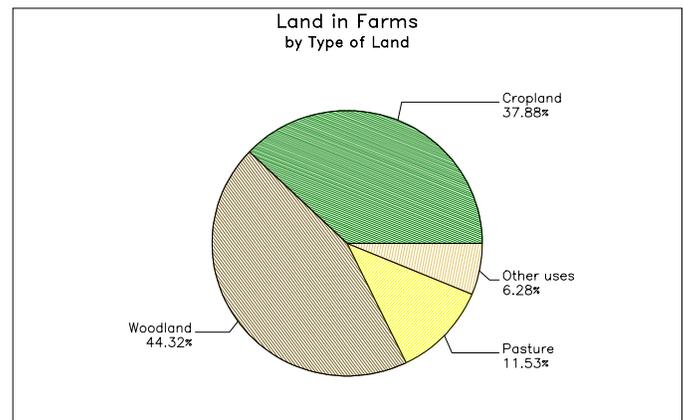
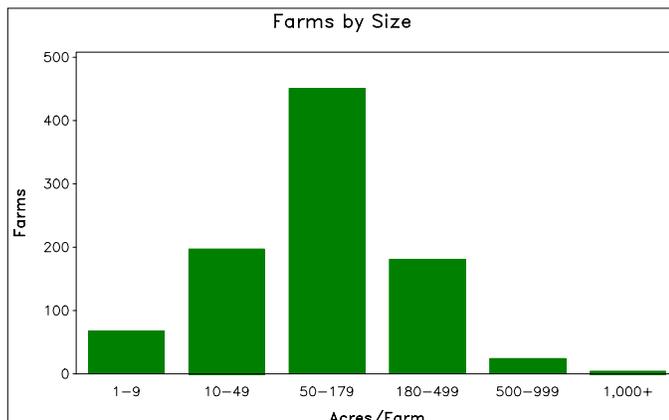
\$7,603 in 2002, \$10,078 in 1997, down 25 percent.

Government Payments

\$62,000 in 2002, \$27,000 in 1997, up 130 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$567 in 2002, \$556 in 1997, up 2 percent.



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Ranked items among the 120 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	7,033	87	120	2,650	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	3,553	83	120	2,256	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	3,480	83	120	2,515	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	36	98	117	2,574	2,871
Tobacco	2,903	58	114	156	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	48	76	111	2,062	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	8	77	112	2,253	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	229	51	106	1,750	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	49	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	328	75	120	2,244	3,046
Poultry and eggs	2	81	115	2,449	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,323	74	120	2,066	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	674	56	106	1,527	2,493
Hogs and pigs	12	72	111	2,255	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	21	50	120	1,851	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	443	39	118	456	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	5	54	100	2,048	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	10,828	71	120	1,988	3,059
Horses and ponies	1,587	26	119	697	3,065
All Goats	1,260	11	119	345	2,971
Layers 20 weeks old and older	492	57	119	1,913	2,983
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	242	46	103	1,409	2,599
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,305	74	120	1,564	3,059
Tobacco	940	53	114	140	563
Corn for grain	228	100	117	2,176	2,592
Corn for silage	118	83	106	1,923	2,307
All Vegetables harvested	49	42	110	1,599	2,710

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	223	Farming	456
\$1,000 to \$2,499	247	Other	469
\$2,500 to \$4,999	149		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	138	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	93	Male	855
\$20,000 to \$24,999	18	Female	70
\$25,000 to \$39,999	23		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	18		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	7	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	White	1,318
\$500,000 or more	-	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	7,527	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Average per farm (\$)	8,076	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-44	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	-47	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3

(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.