

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Clay, South Dakota

Number of farms

536 farms in 2002, 480 farms in 1997, up 12 percent.

Land in farms

372,786 acres in 2002, 295,123 acres in 1997, up 26 percent.

Average size of farm

695 acres in 2002, 615 acres in 1997, up 13 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$75,065,000 in 2002, \$62,121,000 in 1997, up 21 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$65,749,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$9,316,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

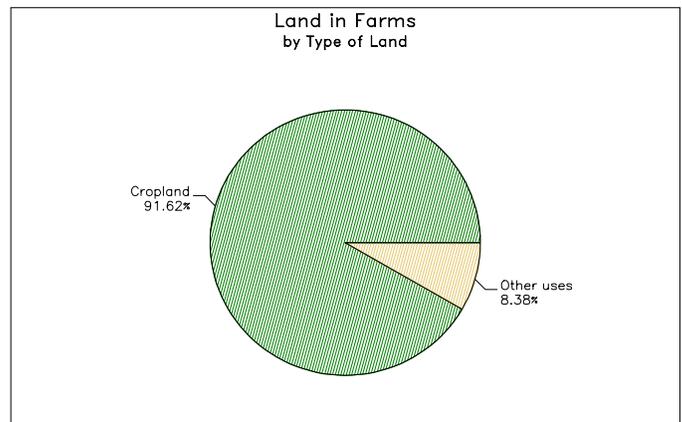
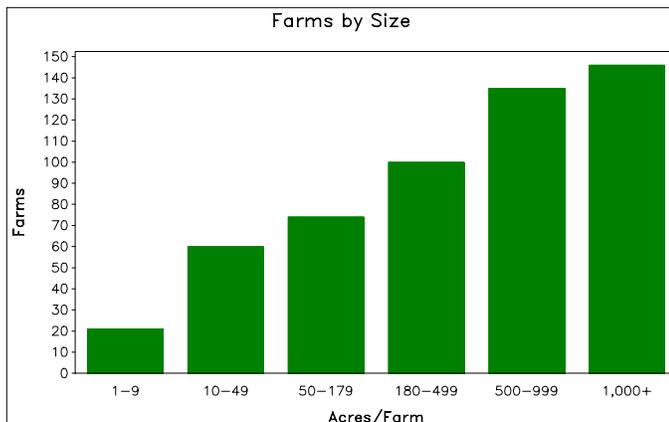
\$140,047 in 2002, \$129,419 in 1997, up 8 percent.

Government Payments

\$3,202,000 in 2002, \$2,526,000 in 1997, up 27 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$8,969 in 2002, \$6,396 in 1997, up 40 percent.



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Ranked items among the 66 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	75,065	20	66	737	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	65,749	4	66	322	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	9,316	65	66	1,934	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	46,964	6	66	270	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	38	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	17	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	36	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	10	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	-	-	62	-	2,918
Cattle and calves	5,640	66	66	1,424	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	59	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	2,856	34	64	619	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	656	14	65	140	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	9	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(Z)	60	62	2,620	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	16,007	32	64	587	2,926
Cattle and calves	14,987	65	66	1,741	3,059
Sheep and lambs	7,675	13	65	149	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	464	28	66	1,951	2,983
Horses and ponies	318	60	66	2,579	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	141,252	6	61	89	2,076
Corn for grain	109,336	7	65	182	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	76,158	14	66	93	3,059
Corn for silage	1,565	56	65	877	2,307
All Wheat for grain	430	63	66	1,825	2,517

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	63	Farming	423
\$1,000 to \$2,499	8	Other	113
\$2,500 to \$4,999	21		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	12	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	28	Male	504
\$20,000 to \$24,999	11	Female	32
\$25,000 to \$39,999	40		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	20	Average age of principal operator (years)	51.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	63		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	181	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	62	White	723
\$500,000 or more	27	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	50,548	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	93,782	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	28,379	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	52,651	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

(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.