



Webster County

Agriculture and Natural Resources Data

Data provided in this issue of Kentucky: By The Numbers were **compiled to correspond to the issues** covered in the **Agriculture and Natural Resources** section of the University of Kentucky

Cooperative Extension Statewide Community Needs Assessment

<https://extension.ca.uky.edu/community-assessment-0>

The statewide needs assessment was conducted to identify and prioritize community needs, issues, and/or opportunities that Extension could address through targeted educational programming and engagement efforts. The survey was divided into 4 sections: 1) **Agriculture and Natural Resources**, 2) Youth Development, 3) Family and Individual Development, and 4) Community and Economic Development.

These data have been compiled to assist in using the survey results for local planning. Data from nearly 40 different sources were selected and links to each data source are provided at the end. Secondary data for the other survey sections are available at <https://kybtn.ca.uky.edu/>. To learn more about Cooperative Extension at the University of Kentucky go to: <http://extension.ca.uky.edu/>.

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Agriculture and Natural Resources Survey Section

State Results, University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Statewide Community Needs Assessment

In your opinion, to what extent is practical education/assistance in each of the following topics a need in your community?
1 = Not a need, 2 = Low need, 3 = Moderate need, 4 = Very high need, 5 = Very high need



Farms

	County
Total Number of Farms	502
Total Number of Acres in Farms	184,753
Percent of Land in Farms	87.0%
Average Farm Size (acres)	368

	County
1 to 9 acres	13
10 to 49 acres	141
50 to 179 acres	201
180 to 499 acres	88
500 to 999 acres	23
1,000 acres or more	36

	County
Full Owners	403
Part Owners	90
Tenants	9

	County
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold, Average per Farm	\$515,848
Farm Production Expenses, Average Per Farm	\$309,707

	County
Number of Operations that are more than 50 Percent Owned by One Producer's Household and/or Extended Family	450
Legal Status for Tax Purposes	
Number of Farms Operated by Family or an Individual	424
Acres in Farms Operated by Family or an Individual	105,312

* = data undisclosed

Producers

	County
Farms with 1 Producer	228
Farms with 2 Producers	204
Farms with 3 Producers	30
Farms with 4 Producers	31
Farms with 5 or more Producers	9

	County
Total Number of All Producers	903
Number of All Producers who are Male	590
Percent Male	65.3%
Number of All Producers who are Female	313
Percent Female	34.7%

	County
<i>(Data only collected for up to 4 producers per farm)</i>	
Number of Producers for whom Farming is their Primary Occupation	287
Percent of Producers for whom Farming is their Primary Occupation	32.4%
Number of Producers for whom something Other than Farming is their Primary Occupation	599
Average Years on Present Farm	21.1
Average Years on Any Farm	22.1

Producers *(continued)*

Age ³ (2022)	
<i>(Data only collected for up to 4 producers per farm)</i>	County
Under 25 years old	14
25-34 years	48
35-44 years	109
45-54 years	151
55-64 years	237
65-74 years	189
75 years and over	138
Average Age	58.4

Race and Ethnicity ³ (2022)	
<i>(Data only collected for up to 4 producers per farm)</i>	County
Producers by Race...	
... American Indian or Alaska Native	1
... Asian	1
... Black or African American	21
... Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0
... White	860
... More than one race reported	3
Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	12

Internet Access

Farm Internet Access ³ (2022)	
	County
Farms with Internet Access	354
Type of Access...	
... Broadband	136
... Dial-up	11
... Cellular Data Plan	266
... Satellite	67

Household Internet and Computer Access ⁴ (2018-2022)	
	County
Households with <u>no</u> Computer	590 (+/- 110)
Percent of Households with no Computer	12.2% (+/- 2.3%)
Households <u>without</u> an Internet Subscription	131 (+/- 131)
Percent of Households without an Internet Subscription	20.8% (+/- 2.7%)

Farm Income

Market Value ² (2022)	
	County
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$258,956,000
Market Value of Crops, incl Nursery and Greenhouse Crops	\$115,737,000
Market Value of Livestock, Poultry, and their Products	\$143,219,000

Food Marketing and Tourism ^{5&6} (2022)	
	County
Number of Farms Marketing Food Directly to Consumers	8
Number of Farms Marketing Food Directly to Retail Markets, Institutions, and Food Hubs for Local or Regionally Branded Products	1
Number of Farms with Processed or Value-Added Agricultural Products Sold	2
Number of Farms with Income from Agri-Tourism and Recreational Services	7

Related Local Businesses

	County
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting Establishments	n/a
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction Establishments	n/a
Restaurants and other Eating Places	13
Food and Beverage Stores	5
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation Establishments	n/a
Accommodation and Food Services Establishments	14

Climate and Disasters

	County
Total Expected Annual Loss in Anticipated Economic Damage Resulting from Natural Hazards	\$4,781,106
Agriculture Value	\$751,495
Building Value	\$2,453,782

	County
Total Number of Emergency and Major Disaster Declarations in last 10 years	4
Most Common Emergency and Major Disaster Incident in last 10 years	Flood

Data Sources

- Table 8. 2022 Census of Agriculture. USDA. URL for all Census of Agriculture tables: https://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/AgCensus/2022/Full_Report/Volume_1_Chapter_2_County_Level/Kentucky/
- Table 1. 2022 Census of Agriculture. USDA.
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- 2021 County Business Patterns, U.S. Census Bureau. [https://data.census.gov/table/CBP2021.CB2100CBP?g=040XX00US21,21\\$0500000&y=2021&d=ECNSVY%20Business%20Patterns%20County%20Business%20Patterns&n=11:21:445:71:72:7225&nkd=EMPSZES~001,LFO~001](https://data.census.gov/table/CBP2021.CB2100CBP?g=040XX00US21,21$0500000&y=2021&d=ECNSVY%20Business%20Patterns%20County%20Business%20Patterns&n=11:21:445:71:72:7225&nkd=EMPSZES~001,LFO~001)
- FEMA National Risk Index, Federal Emergency Management Agency. Dataset Version 1.19.0. March 23, 2023. <https://hazards.fema.gov/nri/>
- FEMA Disaster Declarations for States and Counties, Federal Emergency Management Agency <https://www.fema.gov/data-visualization/disaster-declarations-states-and-counties>

Margins of Error

For counties with small populations and small population groups, the **margins of error** (indicated by a +/- ___) or confidence intervals (indicated by a range) can be quite large.

The margin of error or confidence interval tells us how precise the estimate is by indicating the **range within which the estimate most likely falls**.

For help in understanding the margin of error, see the brief Kentucky: By The Numbers publication **“And Now for the Grain of Salt.”**

Additional data are available at: Kentucky: By The Numbers (<http://www2.ca.uky.edu/snarl/Index.htm>)

