

WELCOME TO PUBLIC LAND STATISTICS 2002

Welcome to the 2002 edition of *Public Land Statistics*, published by the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM). We have once again designed the cover of this year's publication to convey the Bureau's complex and varied mission using visual imagery. The 80-plus tables inside the document tell the story of the BLM's mission, programs, and accomplishments using numerical data and detailed footnotes.

This year's edition includes two new tables: Table 3-10a, Summary of Authorized Use of Grazing District Lands and Grazing Lease Lands for Billing Year 2000 and Table 3-10b, Summary of Authorized Use of Grazing District Lands and Grazing Lease Lands for Billing Year 2001.

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Note that the data presented in the 2002 Public Land Statistics tables may not exactly match the data in other BLM publications covering Fiscal Year 2002 operations and accomplishments. This occurs because the databases that provide table data are not static; they are constantly being updated to provide the latest information, sometimes many months after the end of the fiscal year. We have presented the most current data available in this edition of *Public Land Statistics*.

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