

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Alabama Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased 18 percent from 173,468 acres in 1992 to 204,970 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 16 percent from 190 acres in 1992 to 159 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 37 percent from 311 farms in 1992 to 426 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

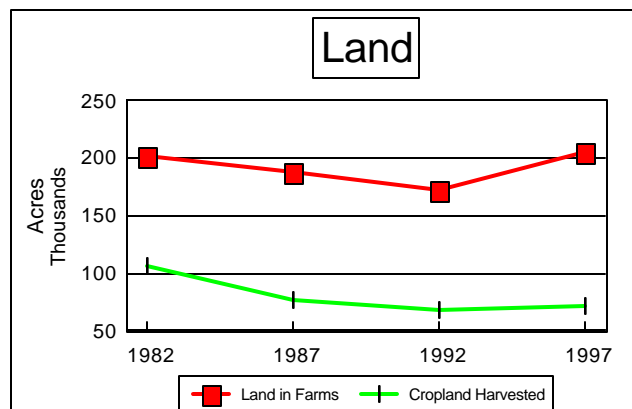
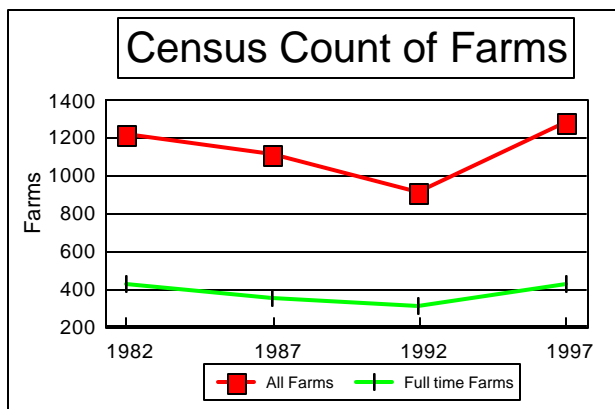
Increased 42 percent to \$79,910,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 19 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 81 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased slightly from \$61,637 in 1992 to \$62,090 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	79,910	8	67	707	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	65,017	9	67	357	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	14,893	15	67	1,481	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	56,354	9	66	100	2,901
Cotton, cottonseed	9,360	4	57	158	709
Cattle and calves	6,675	12	67	1,237	3,063
Soybeans	2,237	5	58	955	2,136
Corn for grain	2,208	6	67	1,083	2,582
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	22,908,527	13	51	83	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	605,459	6	52	140	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	18,711	11	67	1,049	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	1,999	32	67	1,553	2,976
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	26	52	613	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	3,489,121	12	62	93	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	278,255	9	67	249	3,002
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	7	55	151	2,549
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	8	46	156	1,790
Cattle and calves inventory	37,893	10	67	881	3,064
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Cotton-acres	24,769	4	57	145	713
Hay crops-acres	22,701	8	67	901	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	12,734	5	58	929	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	8,133	7	67	1,142	2,691
Wheat-acres	2,341	11	58	1,369	2,612

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	951	597	59
\$10,000 or more	336	318	6
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	64,571	46,952	38
Average per farmdollars..	50,133	51,313	-2
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	12,053	8,267	46
Average per farmdollars..	9,358	9,035	4
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	1,163	830	40
Partnership or corporation	111	84	32
Other	13	1	1200
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	426	311	37
Other	861	604	43
Operators by sex:			
Male	1,184	863	37
Female	103	52	98
Operators by race:			
White	1,211	878	38
Black and other races	76	37	105
Average age of operator	53.7	52.6	2

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

* Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.