

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Alabama Agricultural Statistics Service



MARENGO ALABAMA

Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 199,117 acres in 1992 to 198,422 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 7 percent from 459 acres in 1992 to 428 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 6 percent from 155 farms in 1992 to 164 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

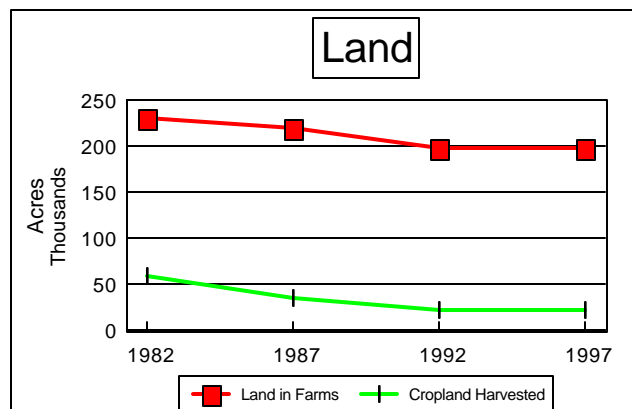
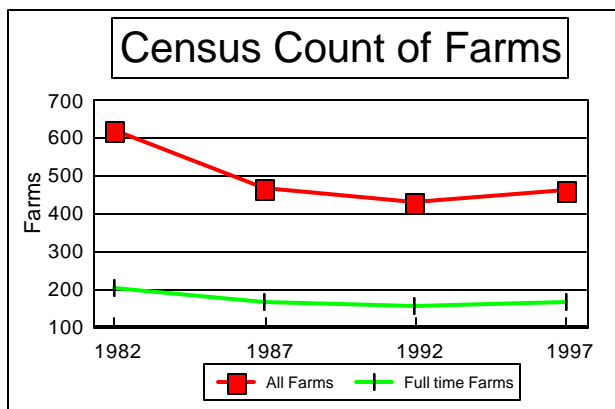
Increased 7 percent to \$14,868,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 13 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 87 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased slightly from \$32,109 in 1992 to \$32,044 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	14,868	49	67	2,308	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	12,864	40	67	1,652	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	2,005	50	67	2,517	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	6,806	11	67	1,217	3,063
Dairy products	3,512	3	52	793	2,563
Aquaculture	(D)	6	63	59	1,505
Cotton, cottonseed	1,466	27	57	349	709
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	336	26	67	1,991	3,043
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	15,667	15	67	1,207	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	240	35	52	1,120	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	121	58	67	2,531	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	30	57	67	2,146	3,015
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	44	52	1,913	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	35,008	12	67	958	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	306	49	67	2,193	3,066
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	221	45	64	1,508	2,884
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	102	58	67	2,624	3,002
All goat inventory	35	66	67	2,418	2,983
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	18,631	10	67	1,100	3,061
Cotton-acres	3,528	27	57	363	713
Corn for grain-acres	829	50	67	1,915	2,691
Corn for silage-acres	(D)	6	65	1,224	2,473
Wheat-acres	(D)	50	58	2,147	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	302	257	18
\$10,000 or more	162	177	-8
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	12,394	12,303	1
Average per farmdollars..	26,711	28,414	-6
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,640	2,297	-29
Average per farmdollars..	3,534	5,304	-33
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	413	385	7
Partnership or corporation	50	47	6
Other	1	2	-50
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	164	155	6
Other	300	279	8
Operators by sex:			
Male	422	402	5
Female	42	32	31
Operators by race:			
White	390	368	6
Black and other races	74	66	12
Average age of operator	55.9	55.2	1

(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.