

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Alabama Agricultural Statistics Service



CALHOUN ALABAMA

Land in farms

Increased 5 percent from 73,841 acres in 1992 to 77,429 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 5 percent from 130 acres in 1992 to 123 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 6 percent from 236 farms in 1992 to 222 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

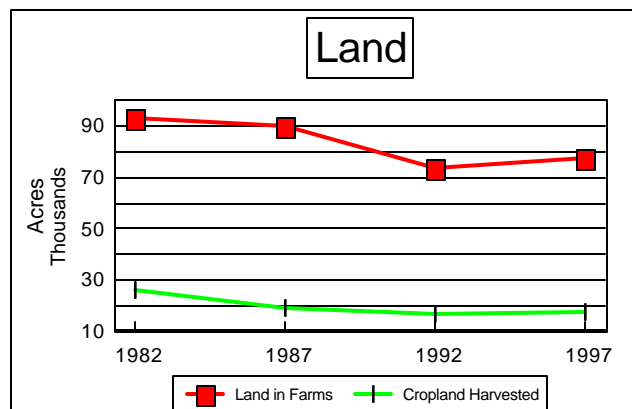
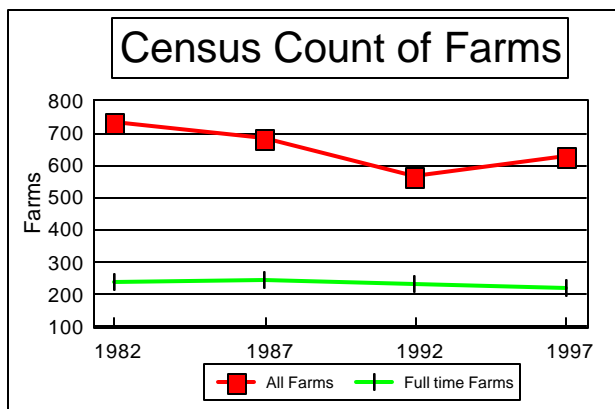
Increased 43 percent to \$53,885,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 12 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 88 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 29 percent from \$66,300 in 1992 to \$85,667 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	53,885	22	67	1,108	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	47,149	18	67	558	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	6,735	29	67	1,970	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	40,561	18	66	156	2,901
Nursery and greenhouse crops	4,908	9	64	398	2,790
Cattle and calves	2,805	47	67	1,906	3,063
Hogs and pigs	(D)	4	67	725	2,976
Soybeans	580	21	58	1,299	2,136
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	12,937,300	21	51	153	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	15	52	250	2,203
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	3	52	70	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	2	67	520	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	8,225	43	67	1,772	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	1,925,717	21	62	164	2,620
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	4	46	81	1,790
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	70,839	29	67	504	3,002
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	4	67	633	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	17,510	42	67	1,669	3,064
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	10,331	29	67	1,681	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	3,721	20	58	1,266	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	1,958	37	67	1,656	2,691
Wheat-acres	872	28	58	1,710	2,612
Cotton-acres	(D)	43	57	500	713

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	485	424	14
\$10,000 or more	144	146	-1
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	39,253	30,002	31
Average per farmdollars..	62,505	52,727	19
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	13,044	6,694	95
Average per farmdollars..	20,771	11,764	77
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	574	522	10
Partnership or corporation	51	45	13
Other	4	3	33
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	222	236	-6
Other	407	334	22
Operators by sex:			
Male	569	534	7
Female	60	36	67
Operators by race:			
White	615	561	10
Black and other races	14	9	56
Average age of operator	54.1	55.2	-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.