

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Increased slightly from 57,253 acres in 1992 to 57,683 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 3 percent from 179 acres in 1992 to 184 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 2 percent from 143 farms in 1992 to 146 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

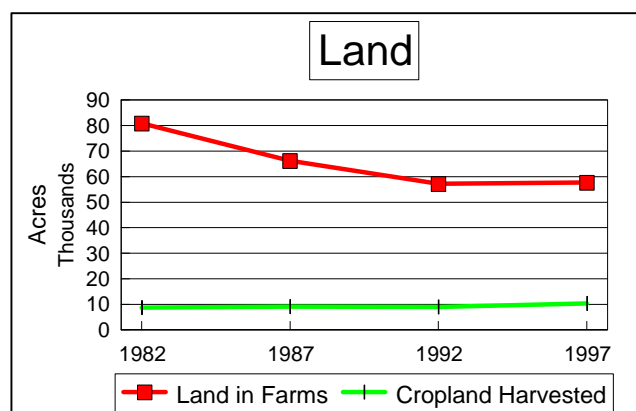
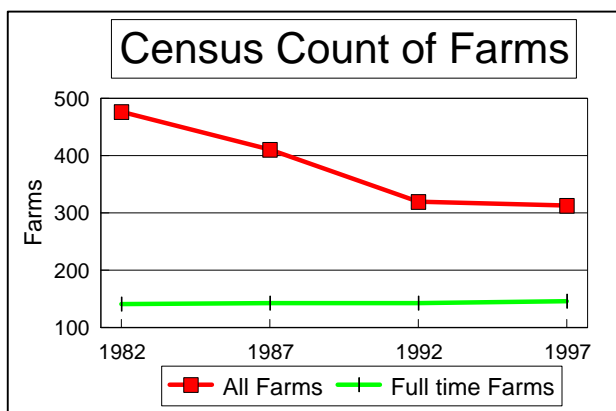
Increased 43 percent to \$40,862,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 8 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 92 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 46 percent from \$89,314 in 1992 to \$130,548 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	40,862	50	75	1,413	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	37,594	26	75	715	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	3,268	39	75	2,327	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Poultry & poultry products	33,437	25	67	186	2,901
Cattle and calves	3,800	38	75	1,676	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	2	70	563	2,790
Horses and ponies	159	18	75	988	3,015
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	156	46	75	2,490	3,043
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	15,533,916	23	58	126	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	26	60	288	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	8,267	43	75	1,767	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	9	51	319	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	1,605	37	73	1,643	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Broiler inventory	2,749,000	25	64	121	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	300,766	17	71	229	3,002
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	26	57	324	2,549
Cattle and calves inventory	15,717	42	75	1,774	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	3	71	176	2,884
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	10,119	43	75	1,710	3,061
All nursery-acres	(D)	11	65	1,087	2,619
Land in orchards-acres	120	24	72	955	2,693
Land used for vegetables-acres	39	38	71	1,666	2,741
Cowpeas, dry peas-acres	(D)	7	12	92	177

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	201	208	-3
\$10,000 or more .....	112	112	
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	35,525	23,750	50
Average per farm .....dollars..	113,498	74,217	53
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	3,470	4,140	-16
Average per farm .....dollars..	11,086	12,937	-14
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	277	287	-3
Partnership or corporation .....	34	30	13
Other .....	2	3	-33
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	146	143	2
Other .....	167	177	-6
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	286	278	3
Female .....	27	42	-36
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	297	307	-3
Black and other races .....	16	13	23
Average age of operator .....	56.1	56.1	

(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.