

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased 6 percent from 324,539 acres in 1992 to 343,634 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 13 percent from 793 acres in 1992 to 900 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 7 percent from 308 farms in 1992 to 286 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

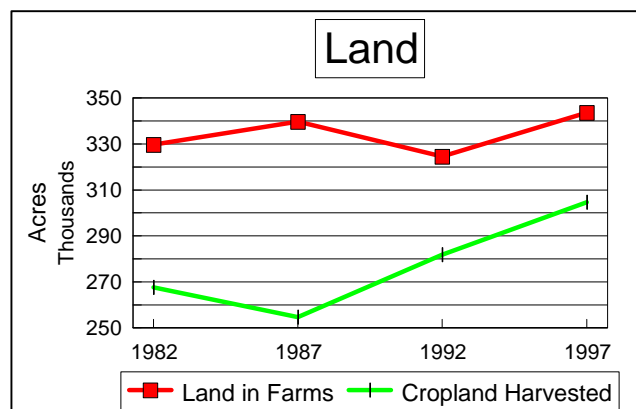
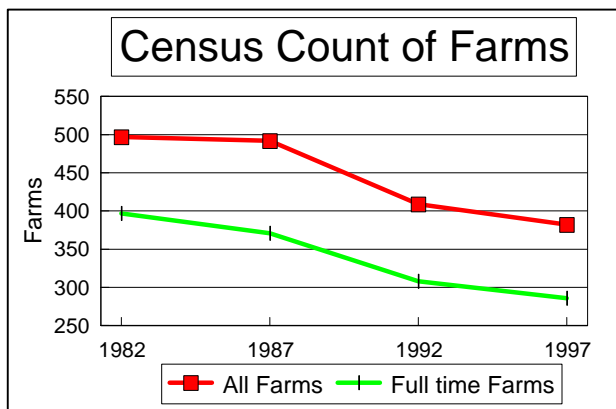
Increased 43 percent to \$102,850,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 98 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 2 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 53 percent from \$175,828 in 1992 to \$269,240 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	102,850	17	75	487	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	101,269	6	75	138	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	1,581	68	75	2,797	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	52,998	3	48	7	1,971
Soybeans	37,759	4	55	59	2,136
Wheat	5,795	7	54	326	2,578
Cotton, cottonseed	2,560	19	31	308	709
Cattle and calves	1,043	58	75	2,524	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	3,281	56	75	2,437	3,063
Colonies of bees sold	(D)	1	11	139	611
Hogs and pigs sold	68	69	73	2,653	2,976
All goats sold	(D)	41	62	1,853	2,686
Horses and ponies sold	10	63	75	2,737	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	5,399	59	75	2,533	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	976	9	65	476	2,588
Horse and pony inventory	117	65	75	2,817	3,066
Hogs and pigs inventory	80	66	72	2,558	3,005
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	61	71	2,543	2,884
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	183,842	5	55	22	2,144
Rice-acres	99,281	3	42	6	153
Wheat-acres	36,796	8	55	382	2,612
Cotton-acres	4,431	19	32	337	713
Sorghum for grain-acres	4,401	12	46	299	1,508

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	92	95	-3
\$10,000 or more	290	314	-8
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	71,541	57,376	25
Average per farmdollars..	187,281	139,942	34
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	26,341	13,222	99
Average per farmdollars..	68,955	32,249	114
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	233	268	-13
Partnership or corporation	148	140	6
Other	1	1	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	286	308	-7
Other	96	101	-5
Operators by sex:			
Male	366	396	-8
Female	16	13	23
Operators by race:			
White	377	400	-6
Black and other races	5	9	-44
Average age of operator	52.7	51.3	3

(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.