

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service



LAFAYETTE ARKANSAS

Land in farms

Decreased 9 percent from 107,841 acres in 1992 to 97,701 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 13 percent from 428 acres in 1992 to 374 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 9 percent from 153 farms in 1992 to 167 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

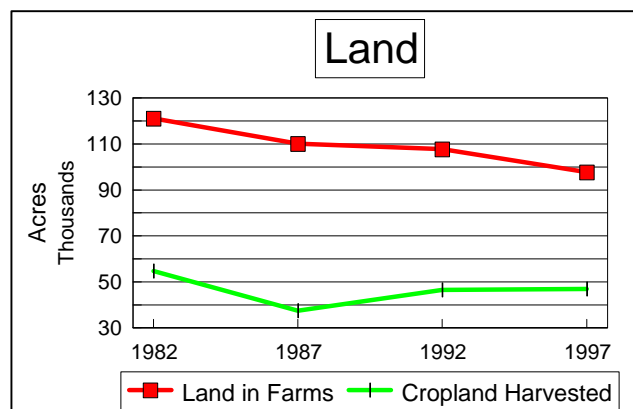
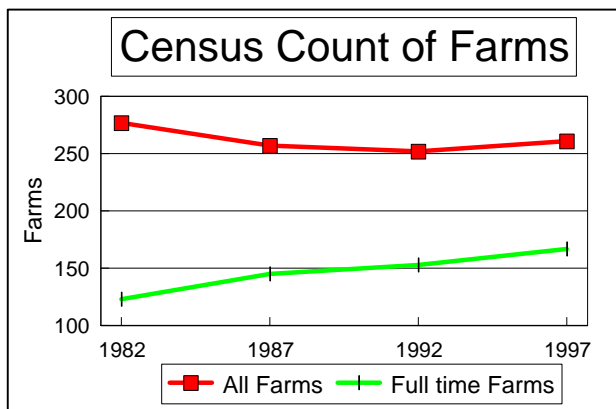
Increased 55 percent to \$71,925,000 in 1997.

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

Increased 50 percent from \$183,602 in 1992 to \$275,575 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	71,925	35	75	802	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	62,365	16	75	374	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	9,560	30	75	1,788	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	50,363	17	67	116	2,901
Cattle and calves	10,743	7	75	838	3,063
Soybeans	3,603	29	55	823	2,136
Cotton, cottonseed	1,897	20	31	331	709
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	1,491	29	48	243	1,971
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	26,514,053	14	58	72	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	88,826	37	60	501	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	20,263	17	75	968	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	3	51	189	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	532	46	73	2,036	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	4,217,721	16	64	75	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	121,624	31	71	386	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	28,994	26	75	1,171	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	1	71	98	2,884
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	8	65	416	2,588
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	18,042	31	55	816	2,144
Hay crops-acres	10,741	42	75	1,646	3,061
Wheat-acres	7,177	29	55	904	2,612
Corn for grain-acres	3,889	17	56	1,428	2,691
Cotton-acres	3,651	20	32	358	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	94	91	3
\$10,000 or more	167	161	4
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	60,327	37,242	62
Average per farmdollars..	231,136	147,203	57
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	8,111	6,553	24
Average per farmdollars..	31,076	25,902	20
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	232	223	4
Partnership or corporation	29	29	
Other			
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	167	153	9
Other	94	99	-5
Operators by sex:			
Male	242	231	5
Female	19	21	-10
Operators by race:			
White	255	247	3
Black and other races	6	5	20
Average age of operator	53.2	52.3	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.