

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service



MARION ARKANSAS

Land in farms

Decreased 2 percent from 142,856 acres in 1992 to 139,553 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 3 percent from 274 acres in 1992 to 282 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 3 percent from 231 farms in 1992 to 225 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

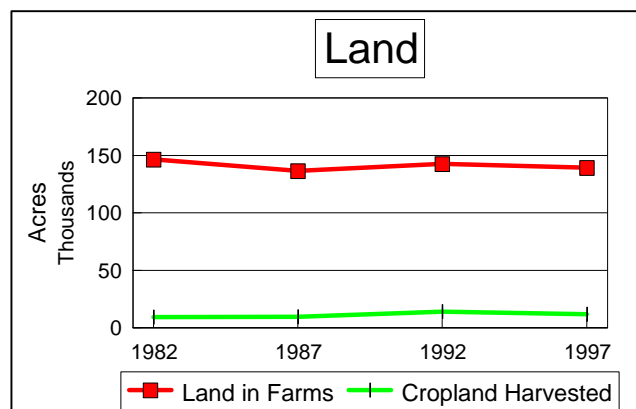
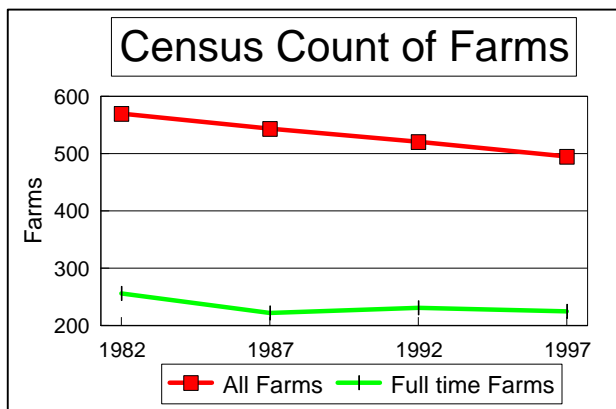
Increased 32 percent to \$21,653,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 2 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 98 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 39 percent from \$31,557 in 1992 to \$43,743 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	21,653	61	75	2,038	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	21,314	39	75	1,176	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	339	67	75	2,937	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	12,339	37	67	387	2,901
Cattle and calves	7,544	22	75	1,130	3,063
Dairy products	1,092	18	59	1,363	2,563
Hogs and pigs	197	35	73	1,558	2,976
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	152	49	75	2,498	3,043
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	1,352,000	46	58	427	1,882
Turkeys sold	1,149,000	8	27	76	1,353
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	50	60	750	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	24,344	11	75	797	3,063
Rabbits and their pelts sold	3,654	8	39	64	1,593
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
All turkeys inventory	451,069	7	52	67	2,361
Broiler inventory	265,400	44	64	415	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	28,251	28	75	1,195	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	47	71	710	3,002
All goat inventory	1,233	3	71	157	2,983
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	11,820	38	75	1,525	3,061
Field seeds-acres	(D)	15	24	563	1,212
Sorghum for silage-acres	(D)	12	25	706	1,323
Land used for vegetables-acres	(D)	37	71	1,655	2,741
Total berries-acres	(D)	12	56	608	2,058

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	314	328	-4
\$10,000 or more	181	193	-6
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	18,402	14,542	27
Average per farmdollars..	37,176	27,911	33
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,927	1,496	29
Average per farmdollars..	3,893	2,871	36
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	465	483	-4
Partnership or corporation	30	38	-21
Other			
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	225	231	-3
Other	270	290	-7
Operators by sex:			
Male	425	466	-9
Female	70	55	27
Operators by race:			
White	494	521	-5
Black and other races	1	-	
Average age of operator	54.2	53.3	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.