

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service



POLK ARKANSAS

Land in farms

Increased 8 percent from 122,871 acres in 1992 to 133,203 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 1 percent from 155 acres in 1992 to 157 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 5 percent from 453 farms in 1992 to 430 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

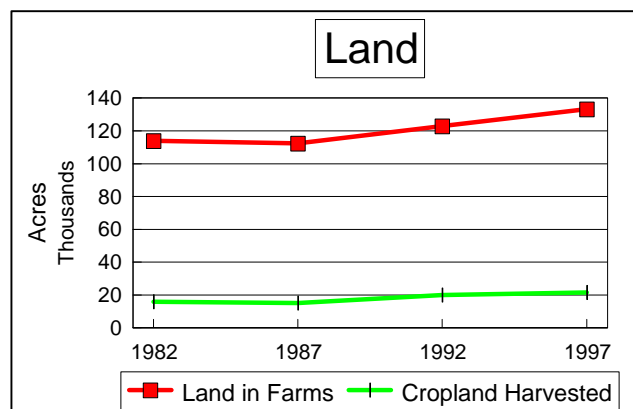
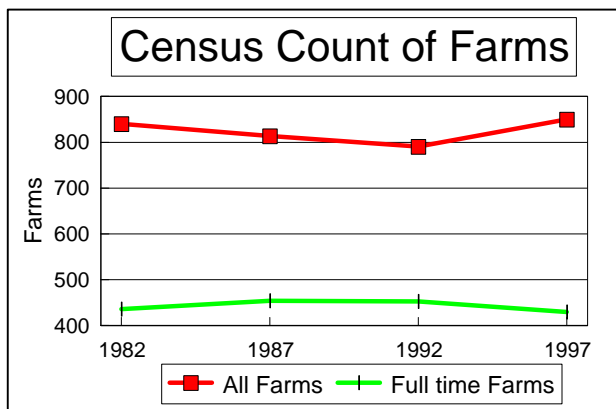
Increased 32 percent to \$99,264,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 0 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 100 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 23 percent from \$94,975 in 1992 to \$116,782 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	99,264	21	75	523	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	98,963	10	75	190	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	302	69	75	2,948	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	77,157	12	67	70	2,901
Hogs and pigs	12,409	7	73	284	2,976
Cattle and calves	7,756	18	75	1,111	3,063
Dairy products	1,078	19	59	1,371	2,563
Horses and ponies	543	4	75	239	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	36,655,144	8	58	52	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	879,481	9	60	98	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	121,425	9	73	282	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	20,153	18	75	980	3,063
Horses and ponies sold	179	7	75	417	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	5,880,074	8	64	53	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	337,875	14	71	213	3,002
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	223,034	8	57	65	2,549
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	19	47	182	1,790
Hogs and pigs inventory	47,764	9	72	318	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	21,919	21	75	935	3,061
All nursery-acres	(D)	35	65	2,036	2,619
Land in orchards-acres	8	66	72	2,225	2,693
Cut christmas trees harvested-acres	(D)	18	49	1,161	1,965
Land used for vegetables-acres	3	66	71	2,536	2,741

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	457	416	10
\$10,000 or more	393	375	5
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	72,526	57,154	27
Average per farmdollars..	85,425	72,347	18
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	15,882	11,878	34
Average per farmdollars..	18,707	15,035	24
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	799	739	8
Partnership or corporation	49	52	-6
Other	2	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	430	453	-5
Other	420	338	24
Operators by sex:			
Male	768	695	11
Female	82	96	-15
Operators by race:			
White	844	787	7
Black and other races	6	4	50
Average age of operator	53.1	54.0	-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.