

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service



## ST FRANCIS ARKANSAS

### Land in farms

Decreased 5 percent from 305,401 acres in 1992 to 289,882 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 12 percent from 787 acres in 1992 to 884 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 18 percent from 254 farms in 1992 to 209 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

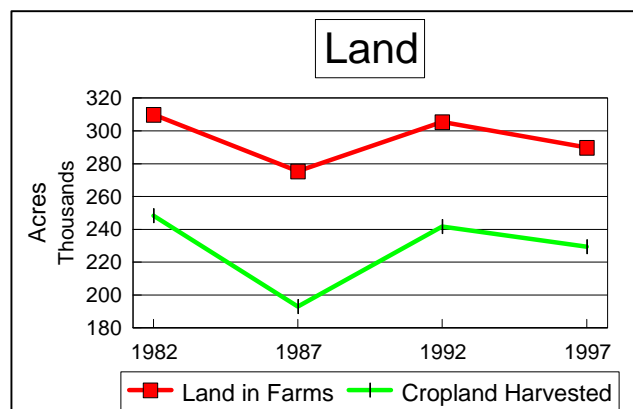
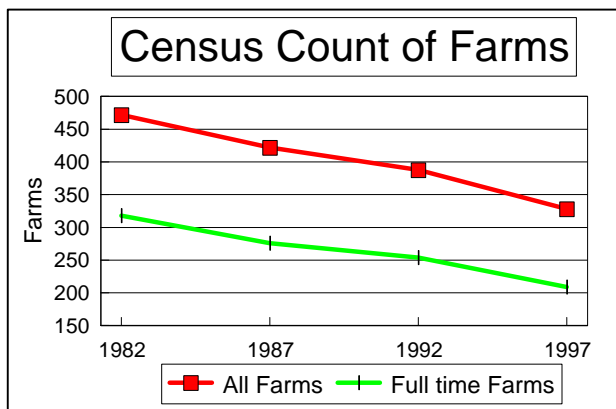
Increased 15 percent to \$68,925,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 96 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 4 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 36 percent from \$154,195 in 1992 to \$210,138 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	68,925	36	75	839	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	66,195	17	75	351	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	2,730	60	75	2,622	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Soybeans	27,855	10	55	153	2,136
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	20,419	15	48	35	1,971
Cotton, cottonseed	10,035	15	31	150	709
Wheat	5,989	5	54	321	2,578
Aquaculture	(D)	7	54	64	1,505
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	1,353	67	75	2,760	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	176	63	73	2,436	2,976
All goats sold	55	27	62	1,371	2,686
Horses and ponies sold	(D)	70	75	2,934	3,015
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	2,743	68	75	2,766	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	144	63	72	2,382	3,005
All goat inventory	91	37	71	1,811	2,983
Horse and pony inventory	71	69	75	2,919	3,066
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	52	65	2,221	2,588
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Soybeans for beans-acres	159,145	9	55	47	2,144
Rice-acres	42,322	15	42	27	153
Wheat-acres	39,331	5	55	356	2,612
Cotton-acres	16,042	17	32	206	713
Sorghum for grain-acres	3,142	17	46	340	1,508

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 .....	96	102	-6
\$10,000 or more .....	232	286	-19
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	51,152	42,253	21
Average per farm .....dollars..	156,428	108,898	44
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	15,953	13,118	22
Average per farm .....dollars..	48,784	33,808	44
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	234	270	-13
Partnership or corporation .....	91	114	-20
Other .....	3	4	-25
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	209	254	-18
Other .....	119	134	-11
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	312	360	-13
Female .....	16	28	-43
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	279	345	-19
Black and other races .....	49	43	14
Average age of operator .....	52.2	51.1	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.