

# **1997 Census of Agriculture Profiles**

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United States Department of Agriculture, California Agricultural Statistics Service

## KERN CALIFORNIA

### 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	1,968,513	2	58	2	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	1,786,994	2	58	2	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	181,520	10	57	65	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Fruits, nuts, berries	1,023,113	2	55	2	2,547
Cotton, cottonseed	254,142	2	17	2	709
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	238,597	5	56	7	2,739
Dairy products	96,490	9	47	26	2,563
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	83,863	1	51	10	2,237
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	12	47	367	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	148,844	6	57	61	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	99,139	2	56	6	2,765
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	9,472	18	51	293	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	6,552	9	56	1,154	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	213,309	8	57	27	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	11	56	284	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	149,127	2	56	3	2,864
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	7	53	136	2,549
Colony of bees inventory	24,437	7	52	11	2,588
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Land in orchards-acres	297,840	3	56	3	2,693
Cotton-acres	265,462	2	17	6	713
Hay crops-acres	122,047	4	57	24	3,061
Land used for vegetables-acres	88,474	3	56	3	2,741
Wheat-acres	60,270	3	42	283	2,612

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 .....	664	747	-11
\$10,000 or more .....	1,333	1,248	7
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	1,509,960	1,114,176	36
Average per farm .....dollars..	756,493	558,484	35
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	455,721	214,364	113
Average per farm .....dollars..	228,317	107,451	112
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	1,250	1,243	1
Partnership or corporation .....	707	719	-2
Other .....	40	33	21
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	1,274	1,165	9
Other .....	723	830	-13
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	1,787	1,778	1
Female .....	210	217	-3
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	1,861	1,888	-1
Black and other races .....	136	107	27
Average age of operator .....	55.1	53.5	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.