

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Florida Agricultural Statistics Service



HILLSBOROUGH FLORIDA

Land in farms

Decreased 7 percent from 265,443 acres in 1992 to 247,502 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 2 percent from 96 acres in 1992 to 94 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 5 percent from 1,268 farms in 1992 to 1,208 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

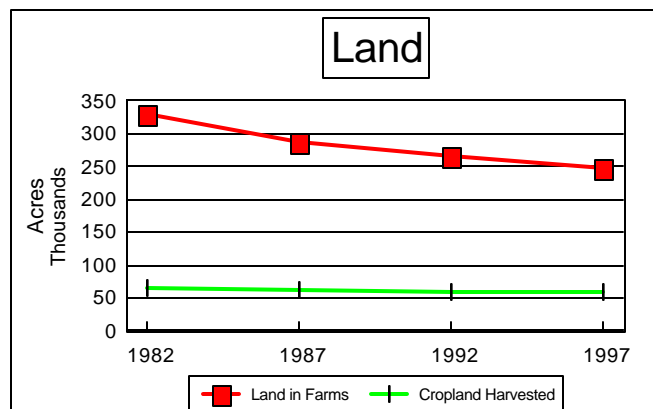
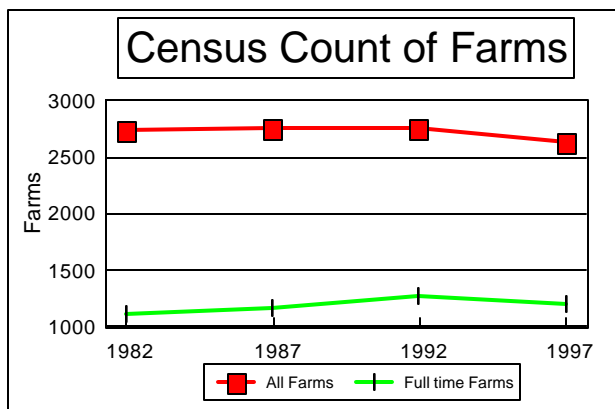
Increased 28 percent to \$332,736,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 79 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 21 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 34 percent from \$93,921 in 1992 to \$126,084 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	332,736	3	67	57	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	263,704	5	67	33	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	69,032	4	67	337	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Fruits, nuts, berries	135,184	6	64	24	2,547
Nursery and greenhouse crops	71,581	6	67	27	2,790
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	56,037	7	64	26	2,739
Aquaculture	(D)	1	56	7	1,505
Poultry & poultry products	20,568	6	64	271	2,901
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	2	56	107	2,203
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	16	39	483	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	34,136	7	67	531	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	5,686	5	64	1,192	2,976
Rabbits and their pelts sold	4,370	5	38	50	1,593
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,409,154	3	65	52	3,002
Broiler inventory	(D)	15	57	472	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	62,328	9	67	421	3,064
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	9	47	205	1,790
Hogs and pigs inventory	3,567	4	65	1,124	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Land in orchards-acres	31,754	10	66	33	2,693
Land used for vegetables-acres	9,413	7	64	74	2,741
Hay crops-acres	8,681	9	67	1,838	3,061
Total berries-acres	(D)	1	56	11	2,058
All nursery-acres	3,216	9	66	68	2,619

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	1,558	1,679	-7
\$10,000 or more	1,081	1,081	
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	239,523	207,801	15
Average per farmdollars..	90,763	75,290	21
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	90,158	49,633	82
Average per farmdollars..	34,164	17,983	90
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	2,144	2,163	-1
Partnership or corporation	479	568	-16
Other	16	29	-45
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	1,208	1,268	-5
Other	1,431	1,492	-4
Operators by sex:			
Male	2,187	2,317	-6
Female	452	443	2
Operators by race:			
White	2,528	2,680	-6
Black and other races	111	80	39
Average age of operator	57.7	56.6	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.