

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Florida Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Decreased 33 percent from 100,764 acres in 1992 to 67,539 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 27 percent from 383 acres in 1992 to 278 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 17 percent from 84 farms in 1992 to 70 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

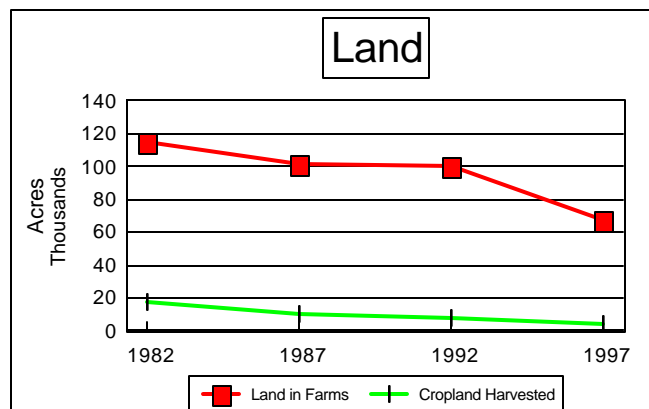
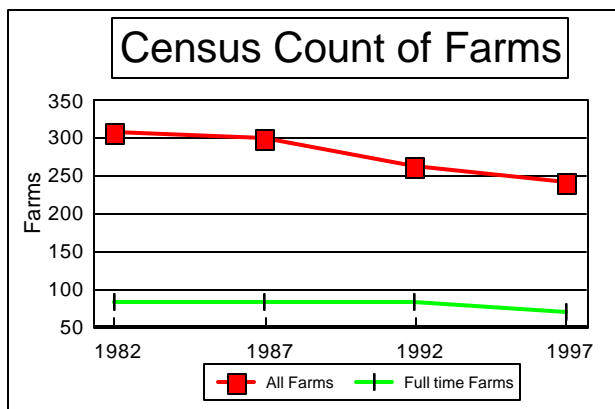
Decreased 10 percent to \$3,463,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 39 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 61 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 2 percent from \$14,613 in 1992 to \$14,252 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	3,463	61	67	2,854	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	2,118	56	67	2,710	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	1,345	59	67	2,632	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Dairy products	(D)	35	52	1,440	2,563
Cattle and calves	791	55	67	2,639	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	698	54	67	1,161	2,790
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	259	48	64	970	2,739
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	238	32	65	2,228	3,043
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	2,025	58	67	2,646	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	680	23	57	860	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	507	30	64	2,052	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	67	25	66	1,332	3,015
All goats sold	(D)	39	62	1,320	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	6,550	49	67	2,439	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	1,106	18	65	651	2,884
Colony of bees inventory	705	41	65	532	2,588
Horse and pony inventory	566	27	67	1,432	3,066
Hogs and pigs inventory	540	21	65	1,844	3,005
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	2,953	32	67	2,573	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	916	17	52	1,889	2,691
All nursery-acres	321	44	66	727	2,619
Land used for vegetables-acres	205	46	64	955	2,741
Land in orchards-acres	144	49	66	878	2,693

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 .....	184	201	-8
\$10,000 or more .....	59	62	-5
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	4,360	4,164	5
Average per farm .....dollars..	18,016	15,832	14
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	63	(274)	123
Average per farm .....dollars..	260	(1,041)	125
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	213	229	-7
Partnership or corporation .....	27	30	-10
Other .....	3	4	-25
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	70	84	-17
Other .....	173	179	-3
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	207	229	-10
Female .....	36	34	6
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	211	233	-9
Black and other races .....	32	30	7
Average age of operator .....	57.3	56.3	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.