

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Florida Agricultural Statistics Service



OSCEOLA FLORIDA

Land in farms

Decreased 15 percent from 716,542 acres in 1992 to 610,825 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 12 percent from 1,436 acres in 1992 to 1,259 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased slightly from 240 farms in 1992 to 239 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

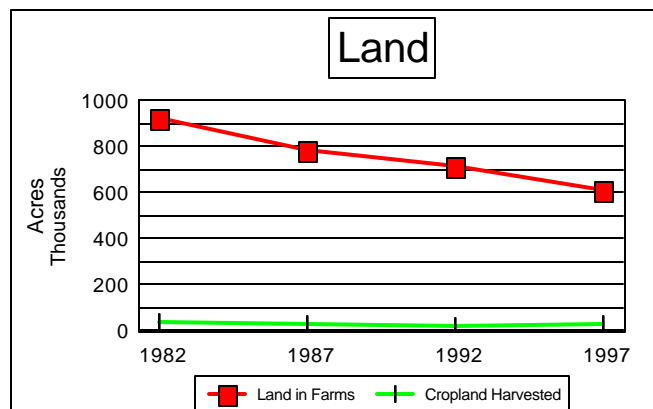
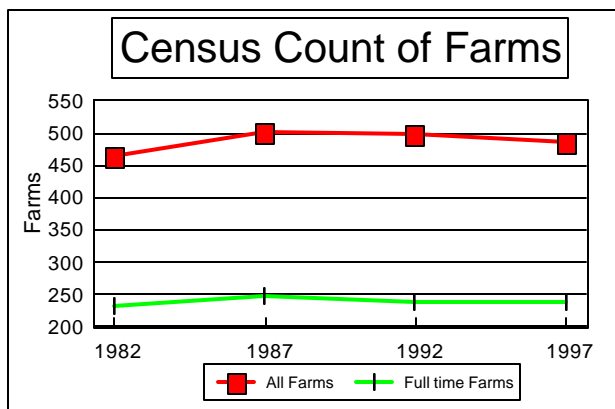
Increased 67 percent to \$88,784,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 68 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 32 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 72 percent from \$106,607 in 1992 to \$183,061 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	88,784	22	67	612	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	60,473	19	67	416	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	28,312	12	67	928	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Fruits, nuts, berries	29,769	13	64	66	2,547
Nursery and greenhouse crops	26,915	12	67	75	2,790
Cattle and calves	20,390	2	67	396	3,063
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	16	64	522	2,901
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	(D)	19	54	338	2,237
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	9	56	205	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	56,881	2	67	236	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	32	57	1,155	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	199	51	64	2,401	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	146	10	46	1,857	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	6	65	121	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	105,404	3	67	115	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	656	21	67	1,226	3,066
All goat inventory	552	17	64	430	2,983
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	487	26	65	1,027	2,884
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Land in orchards-acres	17,124	14	66	55	2,693
All nursery-acres	8,851	2	66	10	2,619
Hay crops-acres	2,198	38	67	2,675	3,061
Potatoes-acres	(D)	10	35	183	1,733
Corn for grain-acres	(D)	22	52	1,941	2,691

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	263	275	-4
\$10,000 or more	222	224	-1
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	71,017	45,182	57
Average per farmdollars..	146,427	90,728	61
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	18,022	6,428	180
Average per farmdollars..	37,159	12,907	188
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	365	396	-8
Partnership or corporation	114	101	13
Other	6	2	200
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	239	240	-0
Other	246	259	-5
Operators by sex:			
Male	403	419	-4
Female	82	80	3
Operators by race:			
White	473	491	-4
Black and other races	12	8	50
Average age of operator	57.3	55.6	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.