

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Florida Agricultural Statistics Service



## PASCO FLORIDA

### Land in farms

Decreased 27 percent from 221,232 acres in 1992 to 161,939 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 29 percent from 240 acres in 1992 to 170 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 1 percent from 405 farms in 1992 to 411 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

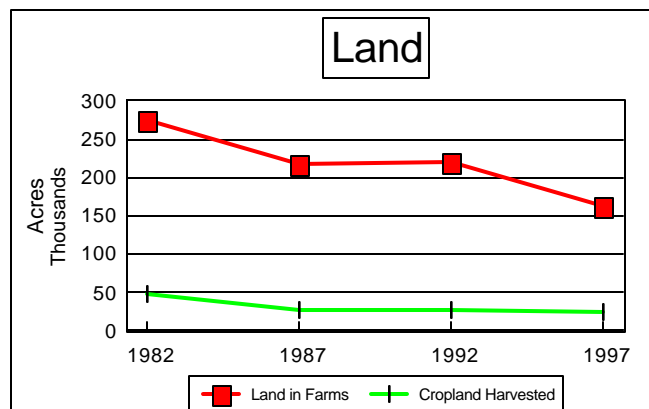
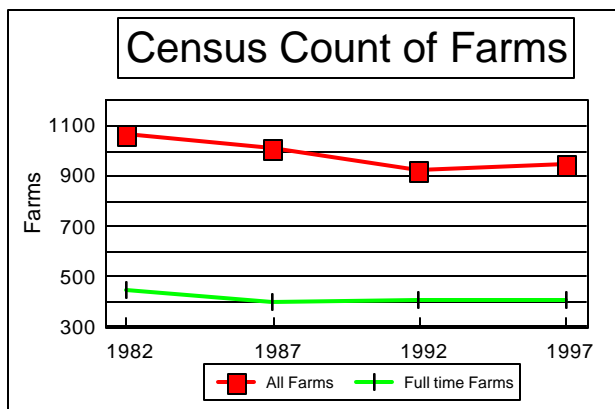
Increased 36 percent to \$84,301,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 36 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 64 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 31 percent from \$67,455 in 1992 to \$88,644 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	84,301	23	67	658	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	54,093	5	67	456	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	30,208	30	67	929	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	2	64	194	2,901
Fruits, nuts, berries	14,847	20	64	99	2,547
Dairy products	12,433	9	52	310	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	11,966	21	67	171	2,790
Cattle and calves	9,229	10	67	967	3,063
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	4	56	145	2,203
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	24	39	666	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	25,097	11	67	776	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	3	64	937	2,976
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	15	38	342	1,593
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	1	65	24	3,002
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	2	59	75	2,549
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	6	47	142	1,790
Cattle and calves inventory	41,448	15	67	784	3,064
Broiler inventory	(D)	24	57	644	2,620
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Land in orchards-acres	14,418	16	66	66	2,693
Hay crops-acres	7,854	11	67	1,925	3,061
All nursery-acres	1,358	22	66	212	2,619
Field seeds-acres	952	8	26	157	1,212
Land used for vegetables-acres	442	39	64	689	2,741

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 .....	610	621	-2
\$10,000 or more .....	341	301	13
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	71,726	52,314	37
Average per farm .....dollars..	75,422	56,678	33
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	11,687	9,602	22
Average per farm .....dollars..	12,289	10,403	18
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	775	739	5
Partnership or corporation .....	170	173	-2
Other .....	6	10	-40
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	411	405	1
Other .....	540	517	4
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	782	778	1
Female .....	169	144	17
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	935	912	3
Black and other races .....	16	10	60
Average age of operator .....	56.9	56.6	1

(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.