

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Florida Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Increased 29 percent from 48,280 acres in 1992 to 62,503 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 6 percent from 276 acres in 1992 to 293 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Unchanged from 78 farms in 1992 to 78 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

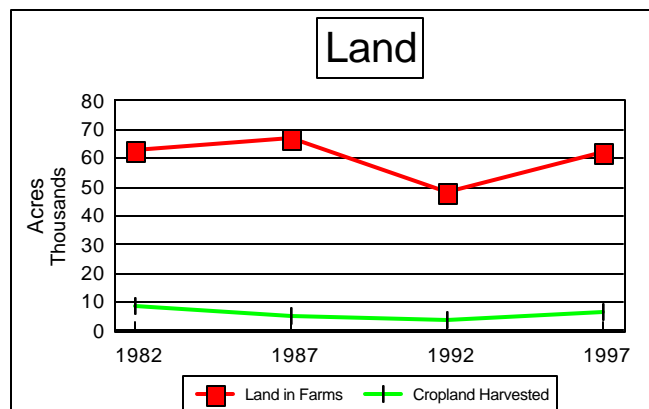
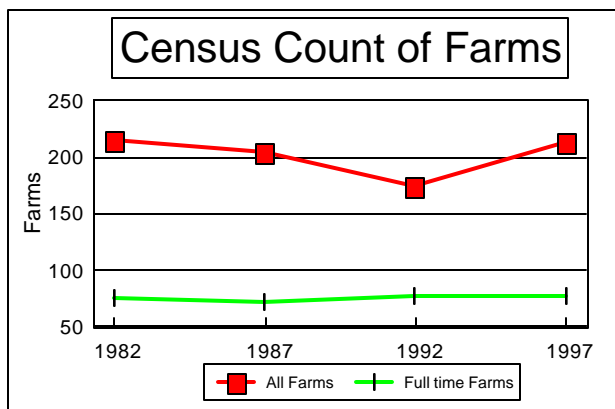
Increased 35 percent to \$11,009,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 34 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 66 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 11 percent from \$46,536 in 1992 to \$51,687 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	11,009	55	67	2,456	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	7,245	35	67	2,111	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	3,764	53	67	2,265	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Poultry & poultry products	5,494	20	64	576	2,901
Cattle and calves	1,638	41	67	2,290	3,063
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	1,304	37	64	474	2,739
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1,208	49	67	899	2,790
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	434	20	65	1,741	3,043
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	15	39	476	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	212,650	13	56	320	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	5,442	40	67	2,097	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	442	33	64	2,110	2,976
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	25	38	723	1,593
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	271,741	12	65	253	3,002
Broiler inventory	(D)	16	57	483	2,620
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	5	47	113	1,790
Cattle and calves inventory	10,824	39	67	2,072	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	412	28	65	1,956	3,005
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	3,411	28	67	2,512	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	931	15	52	1,886	2,691
Land used for vegetables-acres	637	37	64	590	2,741
All nursery-acres	(D)	36	66	455	2,619
Rye for grain-acres	(D)	4	20	137	1,207

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 .....	149	112	33
\$10,000 or more .....	64	63	2
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	9,886	8,582	15
Average per farm .....dollars..	46,412	49,039	-5
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	1,123	637	76
Average per farm .....dollars..	5,271	3,642	45
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	199	168	18
Partnership or corporation .....	12	6	100
Other .....	2	1	100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	78	78	
Other .....	135	97	39
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	190	157	21
Female .....	23	18	28
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	209	175	19
Black and other races .....	4	-	
Average age of operator .....	55.6	57.1	-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.