

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Georgia Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased 2 percent from 105,538 acres in 1992 to 107,573 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 11 percent from 197 acres in 1992 to 218 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 19 percent from 245 farms in 1992 to 199 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

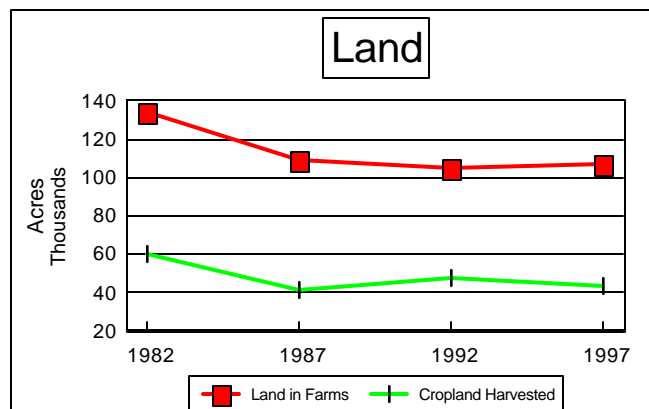
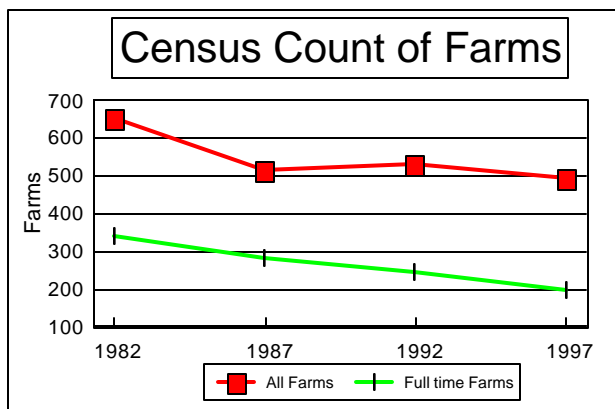
Increased 49 percent to \$46,374,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 45 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 55 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 61 percent from \$58,138 in 1992 to \$93,875 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	46,374	34	159	1,270	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	25,333	36	159	1,024	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	21,041	34	159	1,223	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cotton, cottonseed	12,615	15	99	123	709
Dairy products	11,674	4	117	328	2,563
Poultry & poultry products	11,341	47	142	408	2,901
Tobacco	3,675	16	56	189	580
Fruits, nuts, berries	2,052	14	153	226	2,547
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	5,148,126	46	101	258	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	282,820	28	101	269	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	10,576	26	149	1,009	2,976
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	19	79	321	2,200
Cattle and calves sold	3,799	68	159	2,352	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	712,221	46	117	279	2,620
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	56,522	26	93	230	2,549
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	46,156	51	148	601	3,002
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	26	64	332	1,790
Cattle and calves inventory	10,640	46	159	2,090	3,064
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Cotton-acres	24,281	22	99	148	713
Corn for grain-acres	6,029	26	153	1,240	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	4,286	27	123	1,242	2,144
Hay crops-acres	3,497	64	159	2,496	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	1,731	3	102	762	2,473

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	298	290	3
\$10,000 or more	196	245	-20
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	33,997	24,482	39
Average per farmdollars..	68,960	45,761	51
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	10,531	4,479	135
Average per farmdollars..	21,361	8,371	155
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	450	475	-5
Partnership or corporation	42	57	-26
Other	2	3	-33
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	199	245	-19
Other	295	290	2
Operators by sex:			
Male	450	491	-8
Female	44	44	
Operators by race:			
White	487	530	-8
Black and other races	7	5	40
Average age of operator	55.6	54.3	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.