

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Georgia Agricultural Statistics Service



## PUTNAM GEORGIA

### Land in farms

Decreased 10 percent from 34,746 acres in 1992 to 31,290 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 1 percent from 209 acres in 1992 to 206 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 14 percent from 73 farms in 1992 to 83 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

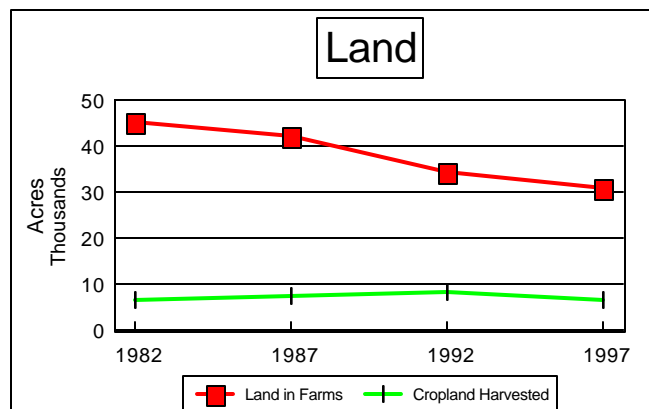
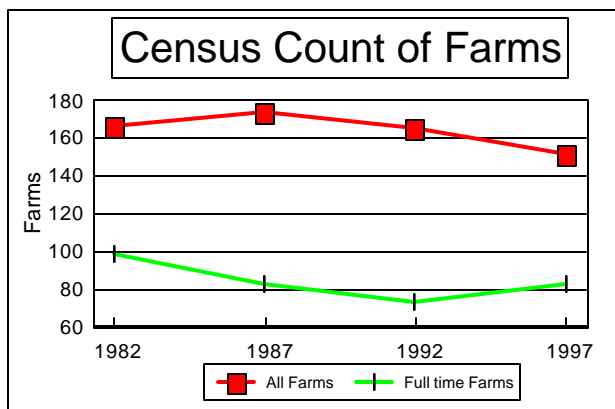
Increased 11 percent to \$21,459,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 2 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 98 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 21 percent from \$116,308 in 1992 to \$141,178 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	21,459	77	159	2,047	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	21,127	42	159	1,185	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	332	146	159	2,938	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Dairy products	17,431	2	117	235	2,563
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	83	142	762	2,901
Cattle and calves	1,370	71	159	2,386	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	110	75	159	2,642	3,043
Nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	118	149	2,076	2,790
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	40	101	396	2,203
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	23	79	384	2,200
Cattle and calves sold	4,275	60	159	2,278	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	57	126	149	2,705	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	71	84	2,613	2,765
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	23	148	313	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	16,490	14	159	1,726	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	618	34	126	917	2,884
Horse and pony inventory	188	75	159	2,626	3,066
Broiler inventory	(D)	96	117	1,926	2,620
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	5,774	26	159	2,167	3,061
Wheat-acres	(D)	84	135	1,824	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	(D)	17	102	1,442	2,473
Corn for grain-acres	(D)	118	153	2,339	2,691
Land used for vegetables-acres	(D)	81	144	1,474	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 .....	85	97	-12
\$10,000 or more .....	67	69	-3
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	19,425	15,855	23
Average per farm .....dollars..	127,797	95,515	34
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	1,691	2,841	-40
Average per farm .....dollars..	11,124	17,112	-35
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	135	145	-7
Partnership or corporation .....	15	19	-21
Other .....	2	2	
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	83	73	14
Other .....	69	93	-26
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	137	147	-7
Female .....	15	19	-21
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	139	155	-10
Black and other races .....	13	11	18
Average age of operator .....	53.7	52.4	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.