

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Georgia Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Decreased 15 percent from 12,733 acres in 1992 to 10,865 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 8 percent from 97 acres in 1992 to 89 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 4 percent from 53 farms in 1992 to 51 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

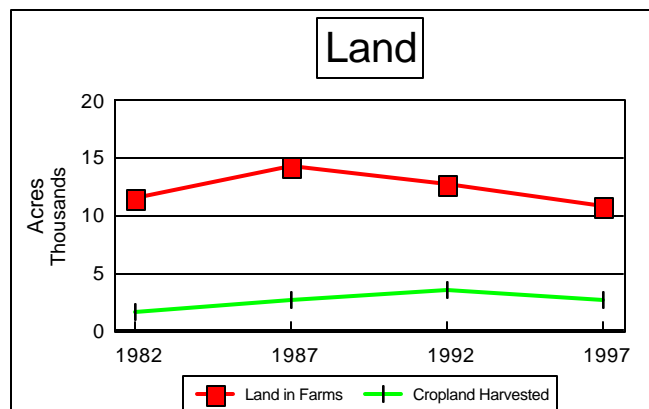
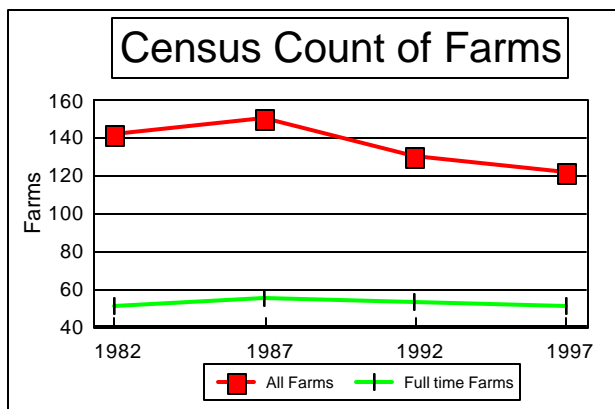
Increased 34 percent to \$12,995,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 18 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 82 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 43 percent from \$74,307 in 1992 to \$106,515 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	12,995	97	159	2,382	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	10,652	62	159	1,814	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	2,343	94	159	2,458	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Poultry & poultry products	9,933	51	142	442	2,901
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	1,381	31	144	456	2,739
Cattle and calves	673	112	159	2,688	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	657	59	149	1,191	2,790
Fruits, nuts, berries	273	50	153	600	2,547
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	5,217,122	45	101	256	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	1,735	116	159	2,693	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	139	149	2,869	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	11	101	145	2,702	3,015
All goats sold	(D)	125	145	2,353	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Broiler inventory	708,500	47	117	280	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	2,501	131	159	2,789	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	415	19	113	649	2,588
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	125	83	148	2,543	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	101	110	159	2,860	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	1,754	114	159	2,747	3,061
Land used for vegetables-acres	499	39	144	647	2,741
Land in orchards-acres	162	80	156	835	2,693
Corn for silage-acres	(D)	55	102	1,987	2,473
All nursery-acres	89	41	146	1,255	2,619

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 .....	83	86	-3
\$10,000 or more .....	39	45	-13
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	10,874	8,697	25
Average per farm .....dollars..	89,130	65,885	35
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	1,716	784	119
Average per farm .....dollars..	14,068	5,943	137
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	110	118	-7
Partnership or corporation .....	9	11	-18
Other .....	3	2	50
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	51	53	-4
Other .....	71	78	-9
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	109	128	-15
Female .....	13	3	333
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	122	130	-6
Black and other races .....	-	1	-100
Average age of operator .....	57.1	53.8	6

(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.