

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Georgia Agricultural Statistics Service



CLARKE GEORGIA

Land in farms

Increased 10 percent from 11,559 acres in 1992 to 12,660 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 4 percent from 152 acres in 1992 to 158 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 31 percent from 36 farms in 1992 to 25 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

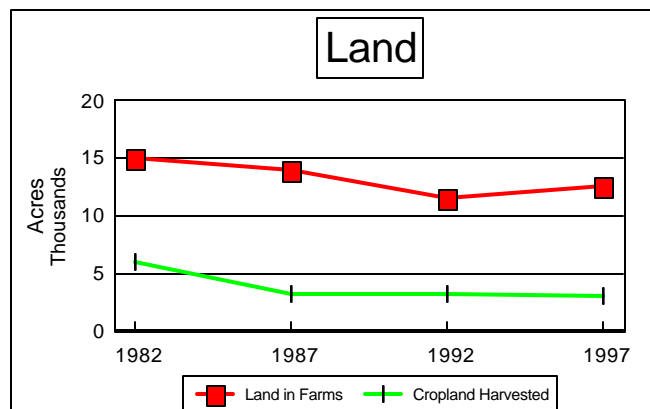
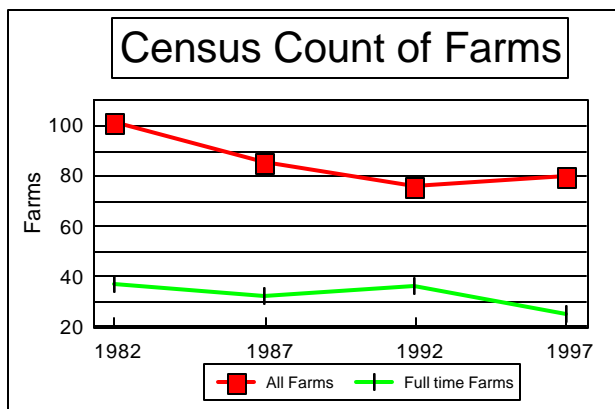
Decreased 36 percent to \$11,429,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 28 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 72 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 39 percent from \$234,082 in 1992 to \$142,862 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	11,429	101	159	2,437	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	8,276	74	159	2,015	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	3,153	81	159	2,346	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	7,043	61	142	516	2,901
Nursery and greenhouse crops	2,991	21	149	561	2,790
Cattle and calves	568	122	159	2,732	3,063
Dairy products	(D)	76	117	1,897	2,563
Hogs and pigs	(D)	67	149	1,459	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	2,900,350	59	101	338	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	53	101	531	2,203
Turkeys sold	(D)	3	16	357	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	67	149	1,476	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	1,110	136	159	2,800	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	550,000	55	117	315	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	37	148	470	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	3,457	118	159	2,702	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	68	155	1,525	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	257	51	159	2,370	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	1,944	109	159	2,724	3,061
Wheat-acres	603	85	135	1,840	2,612
Sorghum for silage-acres	(D)	5	28	303	1,323
Soybeans for beans-acres	(D)	101	123	1,874	2,144
Sorghum for grain-acres	(D)	42	89	1,012	1,508

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	56	43	30
\$10,000 or more	24	33	-27
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	9,692	14,069	-31
Average per farmdollars..	121,148	185,112	-35
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,737	3,722	-53
Average per farmdollars..	21,714	48,970	-56
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	58	54	7
Partnership or corporation	14	17	-18
Other	8	5	60
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	25	36	-31
Other	55	40	38
Operators by sex:			
Male	67	67	
Female	13	9	44
Operators by race:			
White	77	75	3
Black and other races	3	1	200
Average age of operator	54.8	52.3	5

(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.