

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile



United States Department of Agriculture  
Georgia Agricultural Statistics Service

## COWETA GEORGIA

### Land in farms

Increased 1 percent from 41,972 acres in 1992 to 42,592 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 7 percent from 126 acres in 1992 to 135 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 2 percent from 118 farms in 1992 to 120 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

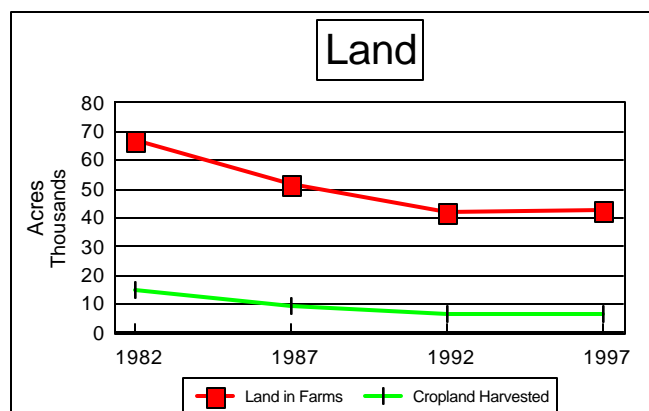
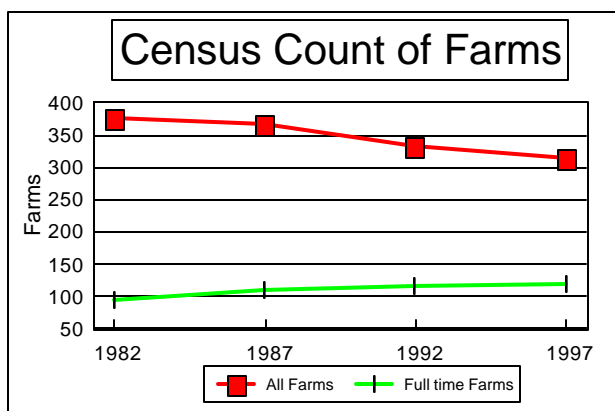
Increased 28 percent to \$6,737,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 65 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 35 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 35 percent from \$15,776 in 1992 to \$21,318 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	6,737	116	159	2,673	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	4,376	75	159	2,195	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	2,361	119	159	2,670	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	3,690	17	149	490	2,790
Cattle and calves	1,103	81	159	2,497	3,063
Dairy products	(D)	52	117	1,520	2,563
Horses and ponies	426	3	145	341	3,015
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	273	17	159	2,136	3,043
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	2,807	87	159	2,510	3,063
Rabbits and their pelts sold	525	6	23	341	1,593
Horses and ponies sold	80	16	145	1,162	3,015
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	36	84	2,314	2,765
All goats sold	15	113	145	2,133	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	5,785	82	159	2,497	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	705	5	159	1,153	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	370	72	148	1,921	3,002
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	357	43	126	1,191	2,884
Rabbit inventory	154	7	68	566	2,456
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	5,237	32	159	2,250	3,061
Wheat-acres	1,052	68	135	1,644	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	(D)	38	102	1,801	2,473
Soybeans for beans-acres	(D)	102	123	1,895	2,144
Land used for vegetables-acres	141	61	144	1,084	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 .....	256	281	-9
\$10,000 or more .....	60	52	15
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	5,599	4,793	17
Average per farm .....dollars..	17,719	14,437	23
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	425	122	248
Average per farm .....dollars..	1,346	367	267
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	292	309	-6
Partnership or corporation .....	23	22	5
Other .....	1	2	-50
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	120	118	2
Other .....	196	215	-9
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	285	307	-7
Female .....	31	26	19
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	311	331	-6
Black and other races .....	5	2	150
Average age of operator .....	55.7	56.7	-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.