

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Georgia Agricultural Statistics Service



JEFFERSON GEORGIA

Land in farms

Increased 4 percent from 136,082 acres in 1992 to 141,922 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 13 percent from 461 acres in 1992 to 399 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 6 percent from 145 farms in 1992 to 154 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

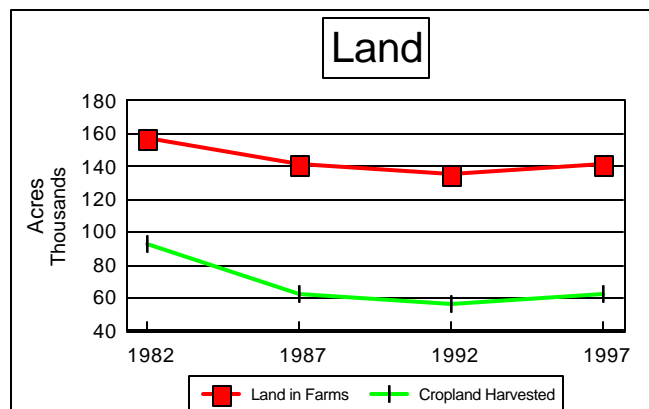
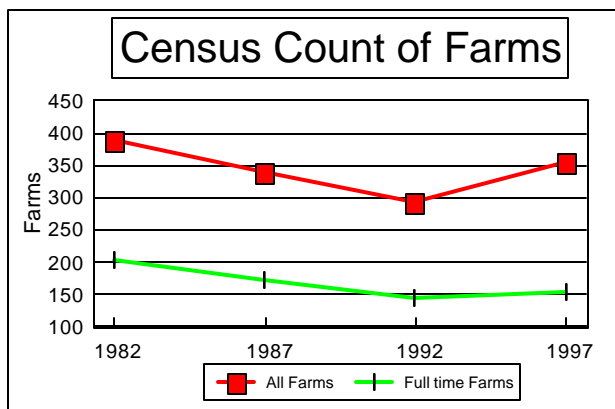
Increased 14 percent to \$24,395,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 76 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 24 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 5 percent from \$72,467 in 1992 to \$68,524 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	24,395	71	159	1,944	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	18,517	38	159	1,321	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	5,877	83	159	2,261	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cotton, cottonseed	6,649	35	99	206	709
Dairy products	3,147	18	117	847	2,563
Wheat	3,137	1	134	521	2,578
Corn for grain	2,902	11	146	991	2,582
Cattle and calves	2,120	38	159	2,120	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	5,608	39	159	2,076	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	4,779	52	149	1,239	2,976
All goats sold	266	17	145	365	2,686
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	42	84	2,375	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	12	97	145	2,681	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	13,260	24	159	1,887	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	963	77	155	1,626	3,005
All goat inventory	470	21	157	509	2,983
Horse and pony inventory	99	113	159	2,865	3,066
Sheep and lamb inventory	(D)	32	113	2,278	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Wheat-acres	21,079	1	135	519	2,612
Soybeans for beans-acres	18,458	2	123	812	2,144
Cotton-acres	18,229	29	99	192	713
Corn for grain-acres	7,923	19	153	1,154	2,691
Hay crops-acres	4,132	46	159	2,409	3,061

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	203	144	41
\$10,000 or more	153	151	1
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	19,302	16,930	14
Average per farmdollars..	54,371	57,003	-5
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	2,574	1,582	63
Average per farmdollars..	7,250	5,326	36
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	312	244	28
Partnership or corporation	39	46	-15
Other	5	5	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	154	145	6
Other	202	150	35
Operators by sex:			
Male	325	282	15
Female	31	13	138
Operators by race:			
White	330	270	22
Black and other races	26	25	4
Average age of operator	55.7	53.6	4

(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.