

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Kentucky Agricultural Statistics Service



FAYETTE KENTUCKY

Land in farms

Decreased 8 percent from 147,154 acres in 1992 to 135,923 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 3 percent from 176 acres in 1992 to 182 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 12 percent from 446 farms in 1992 to 393 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

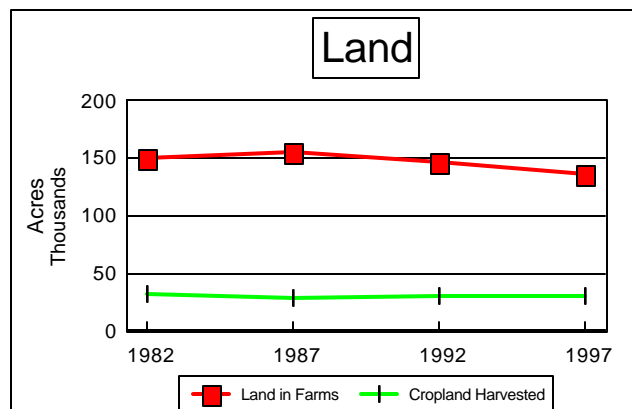
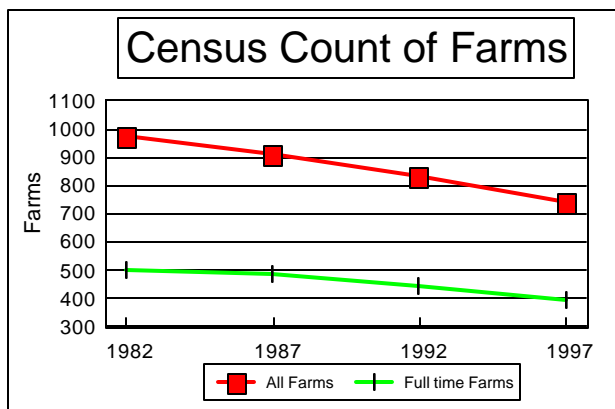
Increased 10 percent to \$139,292,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 16 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 84 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 24 percent from \$150,809 in 1992 to \$186,969 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 | 139,292 | 1 | 120 | 285 | 3,076 |
| Value of livestock and poultry | 116,776 | 1 | 120 | 141 | 3,069 |
| Value of crops including nursery | 22,515 | 20 | 120 | 1,168 | 3,070 |
| TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Horses and ponies | 107,635 | 1 | 116 | 1 | 3,015 |
| Tobacco | 16,902 | 12 | 116 | 49 | 580 |
| Cattle and calves | 8,486 | 21 | 120 | 1,030 | 3,063 |
| Nursery and greenhouse crops | 3,519 | 3 | 113 | 511 | 2,790 |
| Corn for grain | 713 | 45 | 116 | 1,446 | 2,582 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves sold | 16,803 | 33 | 120 | 1,150 | 3,063 |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold | (D) | 22 | 46 | 698 | 1,882 |
| Horses and ponies sold | 2,429 | 1 | 116 | 4 | 3,015 |
| Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold | (D) | 28 | 88 | 971 | 2,203 |
| Hogs and pigs sold | (D) | 63 | 116 | 1,842 | 2,976 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves inventory | 24,855 | 38 | 120 | 1,325 | 3,064 |
| Horse and pony inventory | 12,606 | 1 | 119 | 2 | 3,066 |
| Broiler inventory | (D) | 22 | 101 | 690 | 2,620 |
| Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory | (D) | 9 | 74 | 378 | 1,790 |
| Sheep and lamb inventory | 911 | 3 | 109 | 1,021 | 2,864 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA | | | | | |
| Hay crops-acres | 19,323 | 42 | 120 | 1,069 | 3,061 |
| Tobacco-acres | 4,863 | 12 | 116 | 46 | 583 |
| Corn for grain-acres | 3,594 | 53 | 118 | 1,456 | 2,691 |
| Soybeans for beans-acres | 2,283 | 50 | 98 | 1,382 | 2,144 |
| Wheat-acres | 762 | 41 | 97 | 1,752 | 2,612 |

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 | 290 | 333 | -13 |
| \$10,000 or more | 455 | 503 | -10 |
| Total farm production expenses\$1,000.. | 78,690 | 93,356 | -16 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 105,909 | 111,537 | -5 |
| Net cash return from agricultural sales | | | |
| for the farm unit\$1,000.. | 57,152 | 32,403 | 76 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 76,920 | 38,714 | 99 |
| Farms by type of organization: | | | |
| Individual or family | 502 | 578 | -13 |
| Partnership or corporation | 230 | 244 | -6 |
| Other | 13 | 14 | -7 |
| OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS | | | |
| Operators by principal occupation: | | | |
| Farming | 393 | 446 | -12 |
| Other | 352 | 390 | -10 |
| Operators by sex: | | | |
| Male | 615 | 687 | -10 |
| Female | 130 | 149 | -13 |
| Operators by race: | | | |
| White | 736 | 821 | -10 |
| Black and other races | 9 | 15 | -40 |
| Average age of operator | 54.9 | 54.7 | 0 |

(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.