1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile



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BARREN KENTUCKY

Land in farms

Increased slightly from 248,634 acres in 1992 to 249,683 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 11 percent from 113 acres in 1992 to 125 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 18 percent from 1,095 farms in 1992 to 901 farms in 1997.

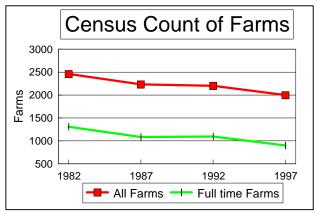
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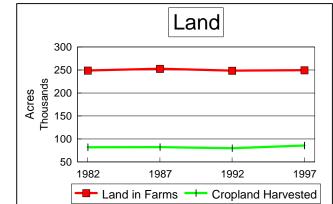
Increased 4 percent to \$59,789,000 in 1997. Crop sales accounted for 43 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 57 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 15 percent from \$26,063 in 1992 to \$29,894 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	59,789	12	120	989	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	34,326	9	120	782	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	25,463	15	120	1,079	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Tobacco	19,940	5	116	37	580
Cattle and calves	16,981	4	120	512	3,063
Dairy products	16,071	1	107	257	2,563
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	1,715	1	119	485	3,043
Soybeans	1,501	36	98	1,065	2,136
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	42,406	3	120	381	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	4,048	39	116	1,306	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	219	22	106	1,679	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	156	20	116	522	3,015
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	13	50	792	1,593
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	89,229	1	120	187	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	1,700	44	118	1,407	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	1,357	13	119	463	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	728	29	119	1,387	3,002
Broiler inventory	534	24	101	940	2,620
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	61,059	1	120	172	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	8,929	30	118	1,118	2,691
Tobacco-acres	6,262	2	116	28	583
Soybeans for beans-acres	6,122	37	98	1,150	2,144
Corn for silage-acres	5,232	1	110	292	2,473

Other County Summary Highlights

			Percent	
Item	1997	1992	Change	
Farms by value of sales:				
Less than \$10,000	1,048	1,090	-4	
\$10,000 or more	952	1,111	-14	
Total farm production expenses\$1,000	41,360	39,494	5	
Average per farmdollars	20,670	17,952	15	
Net cash return from agricultural sales				
for the farm unit\$1,000	17,454	18,164	-4	
Average per farmdollars	8,723	8,256	6	
Farms by type of organization:				
Individual or family	1,765	1,913	-8	
Partnership or corporation	227	286	-21	
Other	8	2	300	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS				
Operators by principal occupation:				
Farming	901	1,095	-18	
Other	1,099	1,106	-1	
Operators by sex:				
Male	1,837	2,014	-9	
Female	163	187	-13	
Operators by race:				
White	1,966	2,171	-9	
Black and other races	34	30	13	
Average age of operator	54.6	54.5	0	

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 (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.

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