

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Kentucky Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Increased slightly from 46,321 acres in 1992 to 46,470 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 17 percent from 123 acres in 1992 to 144 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 17 percent from 120 farms in 1992 to 100 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

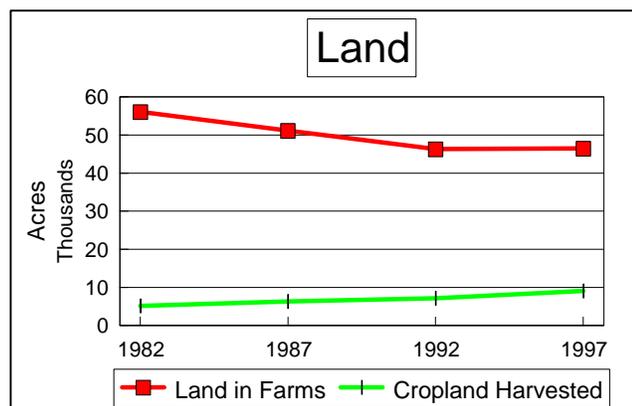
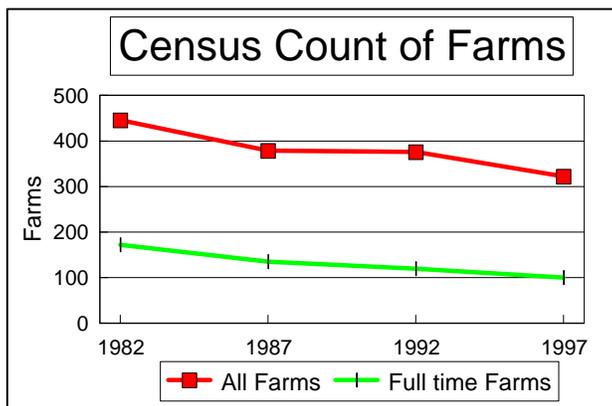
Increased 7 percent to \$3,173,000 in 1997.

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 24 percent from \$7,918 in 1992 to \$9,855 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	3,173	101	120	2,870	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	2,055	103	120	2,505	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	1,118	98	120	2,852	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Tobacco	1,496	93	116	275	580
Cattle and calves	835	96	120	2,612	3,063
Corn for grain	(D)	73	116	1,807	2,582
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	195	89	119	2,376	3,043
Dairy products	(D)	84	107	2,098	2,563
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	2,241	97	120	2,614	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	148	92	116	2,482	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	26	86	116	2,261	3,015
All goats sold	13	80	110	2,195	2,686
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	50	63	1,915	2,200
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	5,384	91	120	2,535	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	400	26	117	1,132	2,884
Horse and pony inventory	302	86	119	2,205	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	273	72	119	2,135	3,002
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	196	21	101	738	2,549
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	6,592	89	120	2,080	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	1,471	71	118	1,729	2,691
Tobacco-acres	499	89	116	267	583
Soybeans for beans-acres	(D)	80	98	1,779	2,144
Corn for silage-acres	221	80	110	1,779	2,473

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	314	-18
\$10,000 or more .....	66	62	6
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	2,475	2,617	-5
Average per farm .....dollars..	7,686	6,960	10
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	82	671	-88
Average per farm .....dollars..	254	1,786	-86
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	306	359	-15
Partnership or corporation .....	14	16	-13
Other .....	2	1	100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	100	120	-17
Other .....	222	256	-13
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	302	345	-12
Female .....	20	31	-35
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	320	376	-15
Black and other races .....	2	-	
Average age of operator .....	54.2	53.1	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.