

1997 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Louisiana Agricultural Statistics Service



POINTE COUPEE LOUISIANA

Land in farms

Increased 4 percent from 193,137 acres in 1992 to 201,137 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 12 percent from 448 acres in 1992 to 500 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 18 percent from 249 farms in 1992 to 205 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

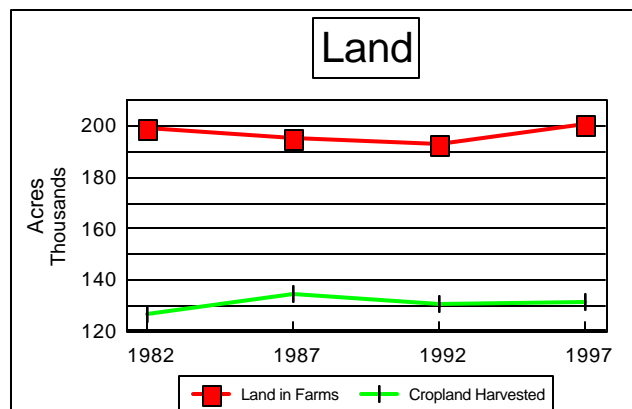
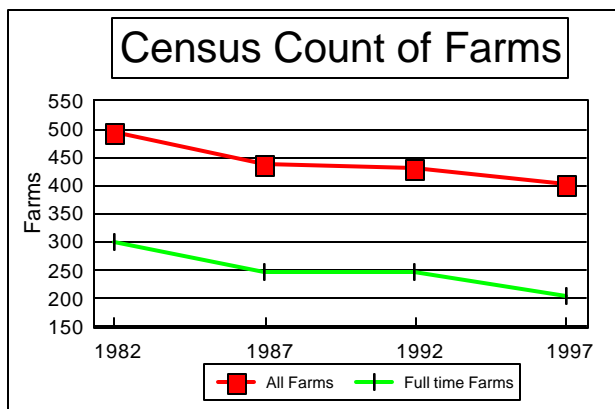
Increased 23 percent to \$53,662,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 90 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 10 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 32 percent from \$101,219 in 1992 to \$133,487 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 | 53,662 | 15 | 64 | 1,117 | 3,076 |
| Value of crops including nursery | 48,432 | 15 | 64 | 573 | 3,070 |
| Value of livestock and poultry | 5,230 | 27 | 64 | 2,338 | 3,069 |
| TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Soybeans | 17,250 | 4 | 48 | 358 | 2,136 |
| Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc | 16,423 | 9 | 49 | 86 | 2,237 |
| Corn for grain | 8,741 | 6 | 47 | 595 | 2,582 |
| Cattle and calves | 5,033 | 6 | 64 | 1,459 | 3,063 |
| Cotton, cottonseed | 2,266 | 16 | 30 | 317 | 709 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves sold | 13,006 | 9 | 64 | 1,368 | 3,063 |
| Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold | (D) | 9 | 32 | 722 | 2,200 |
| Hogs and pigs sold | (D) | 16 | 59 | 2,246 | 2,976 |
| Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold | (D) | 21 | 35 | 1,704 | 2,203 |
| Horses and ponies sold | 38 | 30 | 62 | 1,931 | 3,015 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves inventory | 20,809 | 16 | 64 | 1,505 | 3,064 |
| Hogs and pigs inventory | (D) | 11 | 59 | 2,023 | 3,005 |
| Horse and pony inventory | 343 | 34 | 64 | 2,070 | 3,066 |
| Layers 20 weeks and older inventory | 291 | 32 | 59 | 2,089 | 3,002 |
| Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory | 112 | 34 | 52 | 1,930 | 2,884 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA | | | | | |
| Soybeans for beans-acres | 66,056 | 9 | 48 | 397 | 2,144 |
| Corn for grain-acres | 24,466 | 7 | 50 | 747 | 2,691 |
| Sugarcane, sugar-acres | 21,012 | 9 | 27 | 11 | 55 |
| Wheat-acres | 10,071 | 1 | 41 | 769 | 2,612 |
| Hay crops-acres | 8,926 | 16 | 64 | 1,813 | 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 | 208 | -2 |
| \$10,000 or more | 199 | 223 | -11 |
| Total farm production expenses\$1,000.. | 35,780 | 32,931 | 9 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 89,451 | 76,229 | 17 |
| Net cash return from agricultural sales | | | |
| for the farm unit\$1,000.. | 14,629 | 10,492 | 39 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 36,572 | 24,286 | 51 |
| Farms by type of organization: | | | |
| Individual or family | 343 | 370 | -7 |
| Partnership or corporation | 55 | 58 | -5 |
| Other | 4 | 3 | 33 |
| OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS | | | |
| Operators by principal occupation: | | | |
| Farming | 205 | 249 | -18 |
| Other | 197 | 182 | 8 |
| Operators by sex: | | | |
| Male | 375 | 414 | -9 |
| Female | 27 | 17 | 59 |
| Operators by race: | | | |
| White | 377 | 406 | -7 |
| Black and other races | 25 | 25 | |
| Average age of operator | 52.0 | 51.1 | 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.