

# 1997 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Louisiana Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Decreased 2 percent from 245,986 acres in 1992 to 240,892 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 13 percent from 1,060 acres in 1992 to 1,193 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 23 percent from 203 farms in 1992 to 156 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

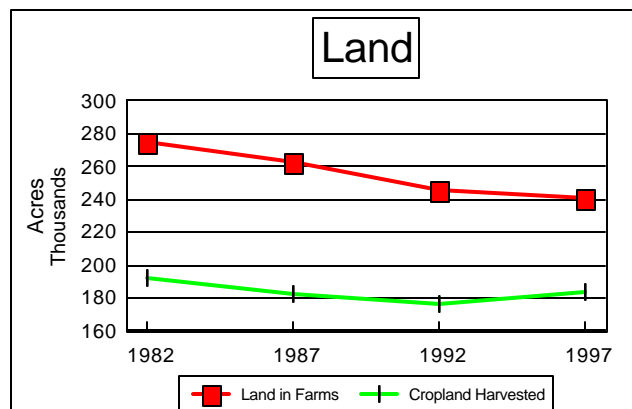
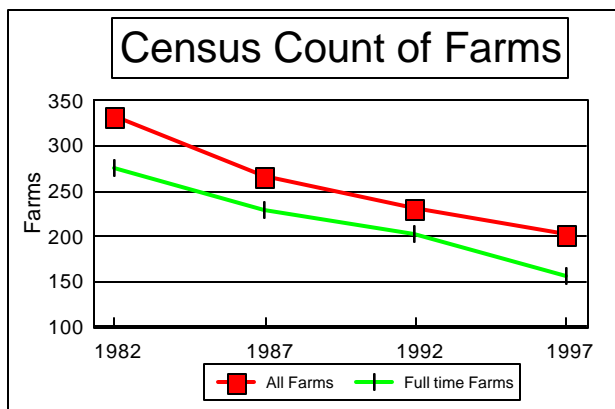
Increased 22 percent to \$70,700,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 100 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 0 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 40 percent from \$249,276 in 1992 to \$349,998 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	70,700	4	64	819	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	70,436	2	64	309	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	263	61	64	2,987	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cotton, cottonseed	47,160	1	30	24	709
Corn for grain	11,997	3	47	500	2,582
Soybeans	8,311	12	48	603	2,136
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	987	23	38	300	1,971
Grain sorghum	889	6	29	259	1,275
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	10	59	1,984	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	437	60	64	2,934	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	26	45	2,509	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	(D)	58	62	2,934	3,015
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	1,048	59	64	2,933	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	105	55	64	2,846	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	80	48	59	2,701	3,002
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	41	52	2,318	2,884
Sheep and lamb inventory	(D)	29	52	2,535	2,864
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Cotton-acres	83,009	3	30	33	713
Soybeans for beans-acres	48,894	11	48	522	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	40,771	2	50	578	2,691
Sorghum for grain-acres	5,695	5	30	272	1,508
Wheat-acres	3,549	13	41	1,211	2,612

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 .....	42	35	20
\$10,000 or more .....	160	197	-19
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	50,473	48,324	4
Average per farm .....dollars..	251,109	208,292	21
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	18,026	8,177	120
Average per farm .....dollars..	89,680	35,245	154
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	138	173	-20
Partnership or corporation .....	62	58	7
Other .....	2	1	100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	156	203	-23
Other .....	46	29	59
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	192	225	-15
Female .....	10	7	43
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	180	203	-11
Black and other races .....	22	29	-24
Average age of operator .....	51.0	49.8	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.