

# 1997 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
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### Land in farms

Increased 21 percent from 136,534 acres in 1992 to 165,274 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 30 percent from 188 acres in 1992 to 244 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 2 percent from 265 farms in 1992 to 260 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

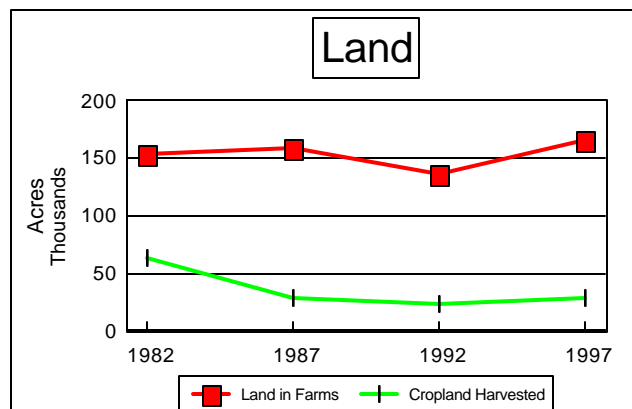
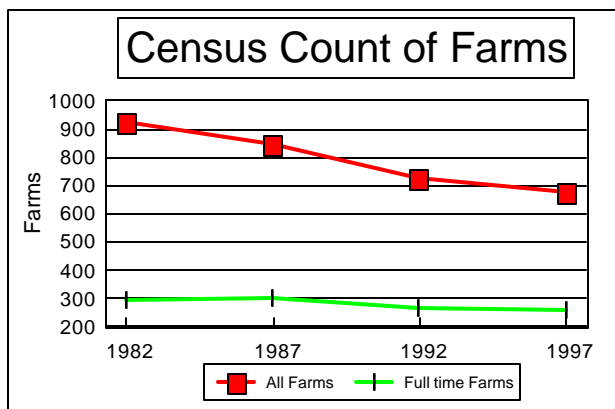
Increased 5 percent to \$10,947,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 37 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 63 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 13 percent from \$14,293 in 1992 to \$16,194 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	10,947	46	64	2,459	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	6,882	19	64	2,145	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	4,066	42	64	2,232	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	4,432	10	64	1,552	3,063
Dairy products	2,084	5	39	1,040	2,563
Soybeans	1,398	30	48	1,089	2,136
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	812	25	38	328	1,971
Corn for grain	773	20	47	1,421	2,582
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	15,465	5	64	1,218	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	1,235	5	59	1,752	2,976
Rabbits and their pelts sold (D)		9	25	596	1,593
Sheep and lambs sold	176	5	45	1,782	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	153	6	62	539	3,015
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	29,102	7	64	1,170	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	1,150	5	59	1,547	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	1,026	9	64	713	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	781	19	59	1,340	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	409	3	52	1,513	2,864
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	14,737	5	64	1,322	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	7,563	28	48	1,089	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	3,044	19	50	1,509	2,691
Rice-acres	2,865	22	35	93	153
Wheat-acres	1,189	23	41	1,608	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 .....	518	566	-8
\$10,000 or more .....	158	161	-2
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	8,902	9,549	-7
Average per farm .....dollars..	13,150	13,135	0
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	117	1,232	-91
Average per farm .....dollars..	173	1,695	-90
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	621	663	-6
Partnership or corporation .....	52	60	-13
Other .....	3	4	-25
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	260	265	-2
Other .....	416	462	-10
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	627	682	-8
Female .....	49	45	9
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	673	725	-7
Black and other races .....	3	2	50
Average age of operator .....	54.7	54.2	1

(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.