

1997 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Louisiana Agricultural Statistics Service



WEST CARROLL LOUISIANA

Land in farms

Increased 32 percent from 126,839 acres in 1992 to 166,915 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 21 percent from 257 acres in 1992 to 310 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 12 percent from 324 farms in 1992 to 286 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

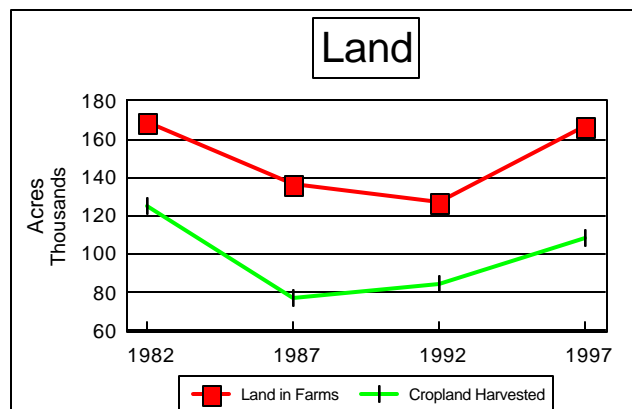
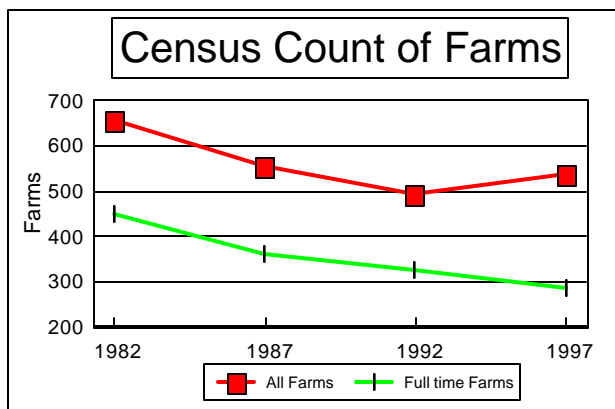
Increased 45 percent to \$43,339,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 94 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 6 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 33 percent from \$60,493 in 1992 to \$80,407 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	43,339	22	64	1,349	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	40,929	16	64	707	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	2,410	42	64	2,667	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cotton, cottonseed	17,029	9	30	92	709
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	11,075	13	49	124	2,237
Soybeans	4,978	15	48	739	2,136
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	4,441	13	38	139	1,971
Corn for grain	1,636	14	47	1,176	2,582
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	1	59	1,178	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	4,329	38	64	2,269	3,063
Mules, burros, and donkeys sold	(D)	1	23	31	1,580
Horses and ponies sold	32	41	62	2,091	3,015
All goats sold	(D)	22	50	1,744	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	10,202	33	64	2,130	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	1	59	1,010	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	287	41	64	2,249	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	267	34	59	2,146	3,002
Mule burro, and donkey inventory	(D)	1	56	84	2,901
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Cotton-acres	42,391	8	30	84	713
Soybeans for beans-acres	32,091	15	48	666	2,144
Rice-acres	11,592	11	35	60	153
Corn for grain-acres	6,908	14	50	1,201	2,691
Hay crops-acres	5,953	28	64	2,152	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	283	213	33
\$10,000 or more	256	280	-9
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	30,675	25,472	20
Average per farmdollars..	56,911	51,564	10
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	10,697	3,324	222
Average per farmdollars..	19,846	6,729	195
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	449	443	1
Partnership or corporation	85	48	77
Other	5	2	150
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	286	324	-12
Other	253	169	50
Operators by sex:			
Male	499	455	10
Female	40	38	5
Operators by race:			
White	522	473	10
Black and other races	17	20	-15
Average age of operator	55.3	51.8	7

(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.