

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Mississippi Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Decreased 4 percent from 66,257 acres in 1992 to 63,517 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 10 percent from 364 acres in 1992 to 402 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 11 percent from 87 farms in 1992 to 77 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

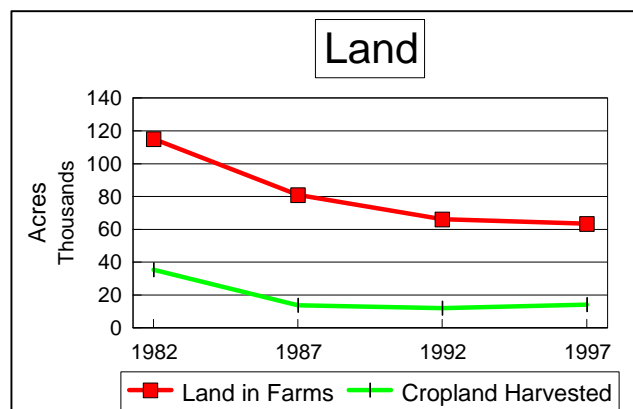
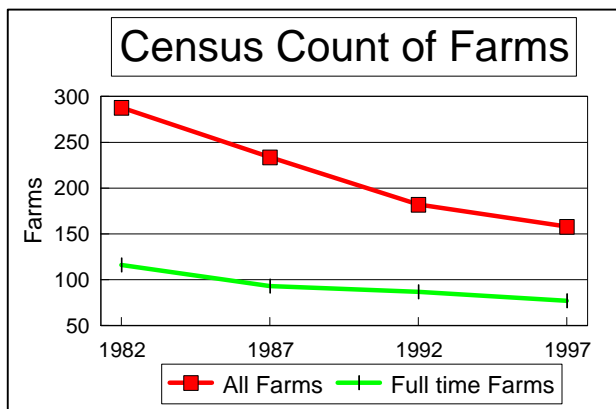
Increased 58 percent to \$7,731,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 54 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 46 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 82 percent from \$26,820 in 1992 to \$48,932 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	7,731	68	82	2,621	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	4,159	43	82	2,220	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	3,573	56	82	2,507	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Poultry & poultry products	2,593	30	72	735	2,901
Cotton, cottonseed	1,446	34	61	352	709
Soybeans	1,346	36	76	1,099	2,136
Cattle and calves	974	67	82	2,556	3,063
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	(D)	5	45	644	2,237
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	1,509,696	26	45	416	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	2,995	67	82	2,482	3,063
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	43	46	1,980	2,203
All goats sold	(D)	63	75	2,288	2,686
Horses and ponies sold	5	73	78	2,877	3,015
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Broiler inventory	654,602	23	61	293	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	5,625	69	82	2,508	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	109	57	78	2,601	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	107	70	82	2,841	3,066
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	60	76	2,277	2,884
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Soybeans for beans-acres	5,204	38	76	1,197	2,144
Hay crops-acres	3,415	66	82	2,510	3,061
Cotton-acres	3,219	34	61	371	713
Land used for vegetables-acres	(D)	3	77	594	2,741
Corn for grain-acres	(D)	60	82	2,032	2,691

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 .....	111	122	-9
\$10,000 or more .....	47	60	-22
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	6,934	4,526	53
Average per farm .....dollars..	44,168	24,867	78
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	268	111	141
Average per farm .....dollars..	1,708	608	181
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	141	163	-13
Partnership or corporation .....	15	19	-21
Other .....	2	-	
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	77	87	-11
Other .....	81	95	-15
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	144	163	-12
Female .....	14	19	-26
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	120	139	-14
Black and other races .....	38	43	-12
Average age of operator .....	58.7	57.5	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.