

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Mississippi Agricultural Statistics Service



JEFFERSON DAVIS MISSISSIPPI

Land in farms

Decreased 3 percent from 80,902 acres in 1992 to 78,668 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 6 percent from 190 acres in 1992 to 202 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased slightly from 163 farms in 1992 to 162 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

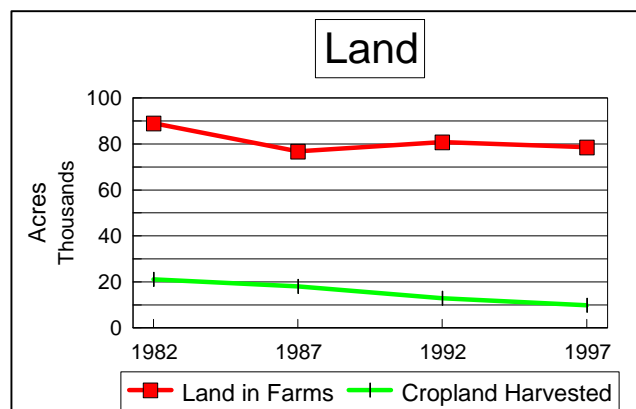
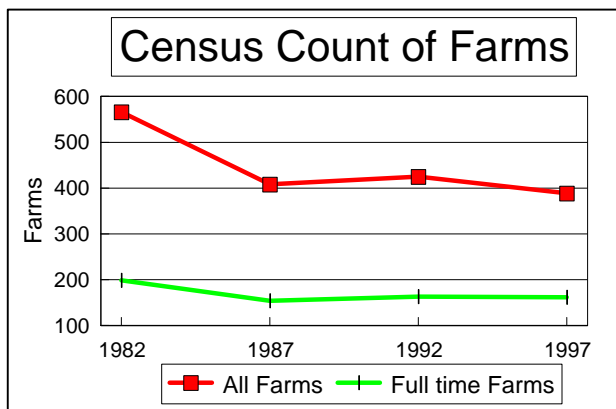
Increased 69 percent to \$15,337,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 7 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 93 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 84 percent from \$21,407 in 1992 to \$39,426 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	15,337	45	82	2,286	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	14,221	29	82	1,566	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	1,116	68	82	2,698	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	11,782	21	72	397	2,901
Cattle and calves	2,328	40	82	2,052	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	478	22	71	1,361	2,790
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	211	31	79	2,316	3,043
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	199	9	77	1,070	2,739
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	6,097,600	20	45	238	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	11	46	324	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	6,384	41	82	1,956	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	55	64	74	2,712	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	34	39	78	2,029	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	1,327,800	19	61	205	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	136,521	10	78	357	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	16,752	27	82	1,710	3,064
Rabbit inventory	(D)	4	46	306	2,456
Horse and pony inventory	228	56	82	2,480	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	8,291	41	82	1,880	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	416	63	82	2,101	2,691
Land used for vegetables-acres	344	5	77	759	2,741
Soybeans for beans-acres	300	65	76	1,812	2,144
Wheat-acres	263	42	62	2,077	2,612

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	288	306	-6
\$10,000 or more	101	119	-15
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	12,973	8,018	62
Average per farmdollars..	33,350	18,777	78
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,451	585	148
Average per farmdollars..	3,730	1,371	172
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	357	390	-8
Partnership or corporation	29	35	-17
Other	3	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	162	163	-1
Other	227	262	-13
Operators by sex:			
Male	340	385	-12
Female	49	40	23
Operators by race:			
White	312	338	-8
Black and other races	77	87	-11
Average age of operator	57.6	56.7	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.