

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Mississippi Agricultural Statistics Service



LAMAR MISSISSIPPI

Land in farms

Increased 39 percent from 53,401 acres in 1992 to 74,162 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 25 percent from 148 acres in 1992 to 185 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 18 percent from 131 farms in 1992 to 154 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

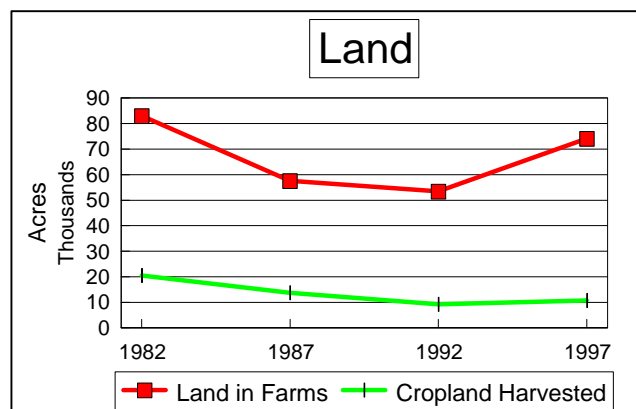
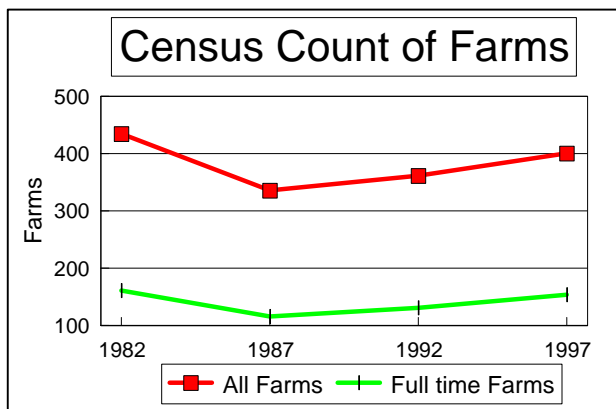
Increased 152 percent to \$33,705,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 6 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 94 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 127 percent from \$36,985 in 1992 to \$84,052 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	33,705	29	82	1,611	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	31,683	18	82	844	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	2,022	53	82	2,509	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	16,370	1	82	534	3,063
Poultry & poultry products	14,977	20	72	354	2,901
Fruits, nuts, berries	576	1	75	421	2,547
Nursery and greenhouse crops	437	24	71	1,396	2,790
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	348	6	79	1,957	3,043
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	7,506,002	19	45	217	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	25	46	639	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	31,010	1	82	612	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	194	46	74	2,405	2,976
All goats sold	146	13	75	680	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	1,306,245	20	61	213	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	47,831	22	78	596	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	33,713	2	82	1,002	3,064
All goat inventory	802	1	81	258	2,983
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	535	30	76	990	2,884
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	7,946	43	82	1,916	3,061
Wheat-acres	753	29	62	1,757	2,612
Land in orchards-acres	713	5	82	387	2,693
Corn for grain-acres	543	61	82	2,034	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	532	61	76	1,709	2,144

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	271	254	7
\$10,000 or more	130	108	20
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	31,241	11,908	162
Average per farmdollars..	78,102	32,896	137
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,613	1,235	31
Average per farmdollars..	4,031	3,411	18
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	365	342	7
Partnership or corporation	34	19	79
Other	2	1	100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	154	131	18
Other	247	231	7
Operators by sex:			
Male	351	323	9
Female	50	39	28
Operators by race:			
White	395	356	11
Black and other races	6	6	
Average age of operator	54.9	52.8	4

(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.