

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Mississippi Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Decreased 12 percent from 62,833 acres in 1992 to 55,146 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 16 percent from 213 acres in 1992 to 179 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 7 percent from 120 farms in 1992 to 128 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

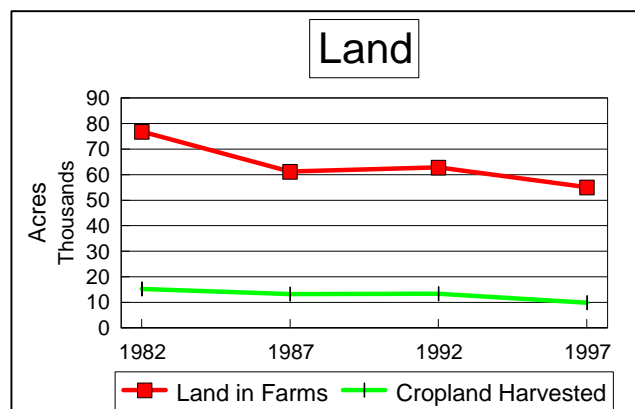
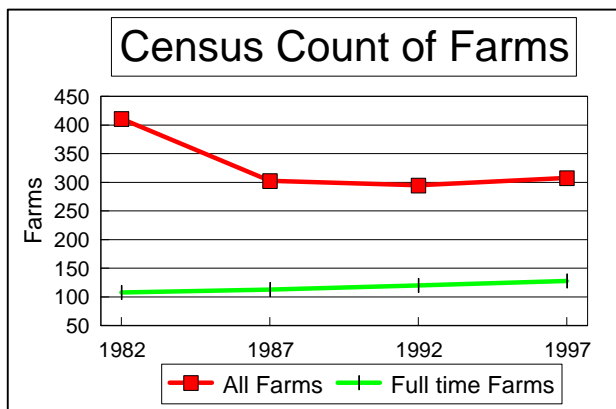
Increased 244 percent to \$23,819,000 in 1997.

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 229 percent from \$23,489 in 1992 to \$77,334 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	23,819	41	82	1,961	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	22,471	26	82	1,131	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	1,348	61	82	2,630	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Poultry & poultry products	20,110	17	72	280	2,901
Cattle and calves	1,649	52	82	2,285	3,063
Cotton, cottonseed	(D)	44	61	431	709
Dairy products	(D)	37	55	1,926	2,563
Corn for grain	324	46	81	1,701	2,582
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	10,090,262	15	45	188	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	19	46	522	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	4,355	56	82	2,259	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	35	74	2,120	2,976
All goats sold	201	6	75	473	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Broiler inventory	1,483,371	17	61	196	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	107,895	14	78	410	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	10,739	48	82	2,078	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	487	31	76	1,027	2,884
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	28	77	1,900	3,005
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	5,738	54	82	2,170	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	1,723	43	82	1,693	2,691
Cotton-acres	(D)	46	61	450	713
Soybeans for beans-acres	880	56	76	1,608	2,144
Oats-acres	(D)	11	30	1,923	2,332

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 .....	236	219	8
\$10,000 or more .....	72	76	-5
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	19,035	6,219	206
Average per farm .....dollars..	61,800	21,009	194
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	3,365	1,428	136
Average per farm .....dollars..	10,924	4,823	126
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	293	279	5
Partnership or corporation .....	15	16	-6
Other .....			
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	128	120	7
Other .....	180	175	3
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	283	277	2
Female .....	25	18	39
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	280	270	4
Black and other races .....	28	25	12
Average age of operator .....	56.6	58.0	-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.