

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Mississippi Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Increased 8 percent from 89,816 acres in 1992 to 97,378 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 10 percent from 182 acres in 1992 to 201 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 13 percent from 232 farms in 1992 to 202 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

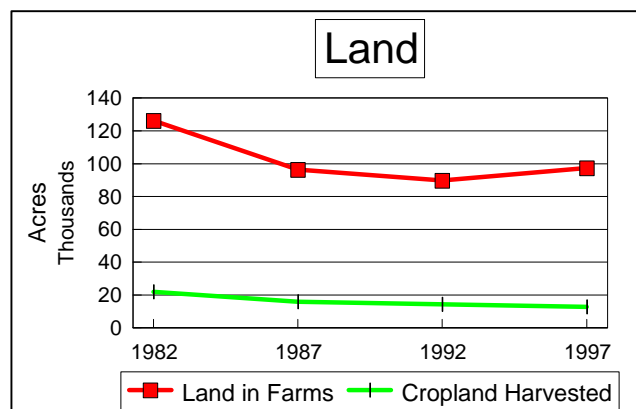
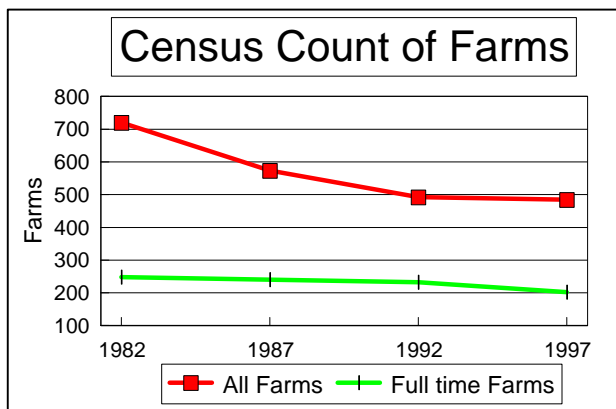
Increased 198 percent to \$28,576,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 2 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 98 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 202 percent from \$19,483 in 1992 to \$58,920 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	28,576	34	82	1,788	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	28,087	24	82	934	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	489	79	82	2,876	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Poultry & poultry products	21,214	16	72	265	2,901
Dairy products	3,798	7	55	753	2,563
Cattle and calves	2,926	29	82	1,871	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	188	38	79	2,400	3,043
Nursery and greenhouse crops	104	46	71	2,011	2,790
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	9,188,819	18	45	197	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	6	46	204	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	8,958	26	82	1,698	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	5,471	8	50	379	2,200
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	4	25	255	1,593
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Broiler inventory	1,667,855	15	61	182	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	296,968	4	78	233	3,002
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	13	60	331	2,549
Cattle and calves inventory	19,537	24	82	1,560	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	4,350	7	76	271	2,884
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	11,352	21	82	1,583	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	465	21	63	1,460	2,473
Corn for grain-acres	424	62	82	2,095	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	(D)	69	76	1,865	2,144
Wheat-acres	(D)	53	62	2,315	2,612

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 .....	337	362	-7
\$10,000 or more .....	148	131	13
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	23,125	8,351	177
Average per farm .....dollars..	47,780	16,973	182
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	3,812	784	386
Average per farm .....dollars..	7,875	1,594	394
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	446	456	-2
Partnership or corporation .....	37	37	
Other .....	2	-	
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	202	232	-13
Other .....	283	261	8
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	435	448	-3
Female .....	50	45	11
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	434	427	2
Black and other races .....	51	66	-23
Average age of operator .....	56.8	55.8	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.