

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Mississippi Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased 6 percent from 80,761 acres in 1992 to 85,286 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 9 percent from 238 acres in 1992 to 259 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 15 percent from 118 farms in 1992 to 100 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

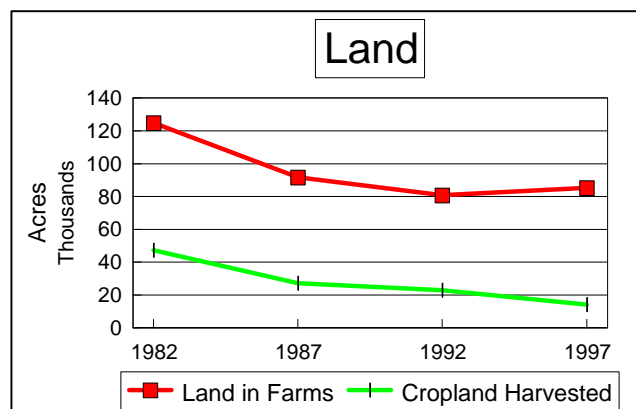
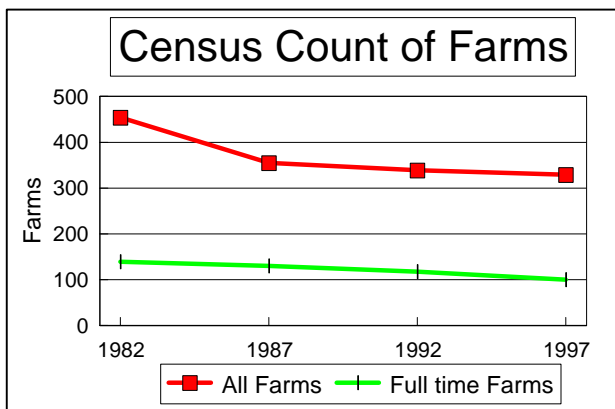
Decreased 8 percent to \$8,788,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 17 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 83 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 5 percent from \$28,034 in 1992 to \$26,713 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	8,788	62	82	2,570	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	7,260	40	82	2,109	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	1,529	56	82	2,599	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	3,700	8	55	767	2,563
Cattle and calves	2,378	39	82	2,033	3,063
Hogs and pigs	1,056	10	74	997	2,976
Nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	20	71	1,289	2,790
Soybeans	344	48	76	1,410	2,136
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	10,799	9	74	1,004	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	6,699	38	82	1,922	3,063
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	37	45	762	1,882
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	9	25	479	1,593
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	3	53	1,618	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	13,765	37	82	1,866	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	8,950	7	77	858	3,005
Broiler inventory	(D)	36	61	652	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	33	78	1,244	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	554	17	82	1,466	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	10,588	25	82	1,657	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	1,826	50	76	1,438	2,144
Corn for silage-acres	709	10	63	1,250	2,473
Cotton-acres	702	55	61	526	713
Corn for grain-acres	297	69	82	2,186	2,691

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	257	250	3
\$10,000 or more	72	89	-19
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	7,137	8,474	-16
Average per farmdollars..	21,694	25,072	-13
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	618	1,532	-60
Average per farmdollars..	1,879	4,532	-59
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	308	308	
Partnership or corporation	15	24	-38
Other	6	7	-14
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	100	118	-15
Other	229	221	4
Operators by sex:			
Male	303	319	-5
Female	26	20	30
Operators by race:			
White	297	295	1
Black and other races	32	44	-27
Average age of operator	56.8	55.7	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.