

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Mississippi Agricultural Statistics Service



PEARL RIVER MISSISSIPPI

Land in farms

Increased 11 percent from 93,180 acres in 1992 to 103,128 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased slightly from 168 acres in 1992 to 169 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 3 percent from 200 farms in 1992 to 205 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

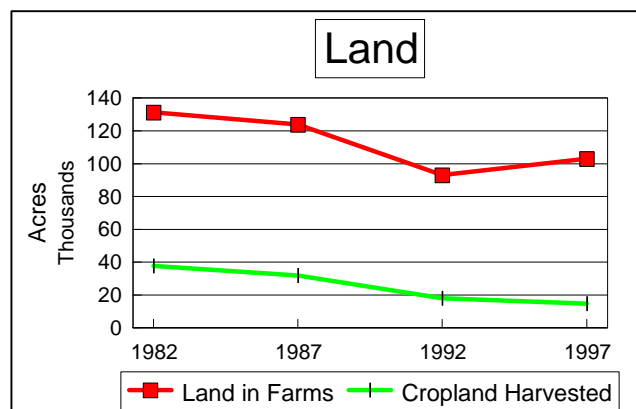
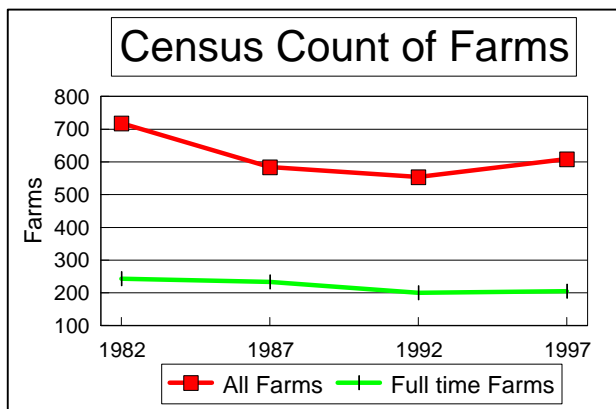
Decreased 11 percent to \$8,838,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 27 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 73 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 19 percent from \$17,980 in 1992 to \$14,513 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	8,838	61	82	2,566	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	6,481	44	82	2,191	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	2,358	51	82	2,453	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	4,843	8	82	1,480	3,063
Dairy products	1,161	17	55	1,338	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1,156	11	71	919	2,790
Soybeans	374	46	76	1,386	2,136
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	340	7	79	1,977	3,043
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	36	45	639	1,882
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	5	50	165	2,200
Cattle and calves sold	13,608	8	82	1,324	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	245	4	53	1,624	2,765
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	16	25	791	1,593
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	25,496	8	82	1,291	3,064
Broiler inventory	(D)	35	61	618	2,620
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	10,722	4	76	150	2,884
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	939	32	78	1,235	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	931	4	82	825	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	9,361	35	82	1,776	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	2,512	45	76	1,355	2,144
Land in orchards-acres	1,487	1	82	267	2,693
Wheat-acres	886	27	62	1,702	2,612
All nursery-acres	464	3	68	569	2,619

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	457	422	8
\$10,000 or more	152	132	15
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	8,286	9,456	-12
Average per farmdollars..	13,628	17,068	-20
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	(877)	648	-235
Average per farmdollars..	(1,443)	1,170	-223
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	573	530	8
Partnership or corporation	34	23	48
Other	2	1	100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	205	200	3
Other	404	354	14
Operators by sex:			
Male	537	481	12
Female	72	73	-1
Operators by race:			
White	596	549	9
Black and other races	13	5	160
Average age of operator	55.0	55.0	

(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.