

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Mississippi Agricultural Statistics Service



TATE MISSISSIPPI

Land in farms

Decreased 5 percent from 141,245 acres in 1992 to 134,657 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 2 percent from 260 acres in 1992 to 265 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 9 percent from 223 farms in 1992 to 203 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

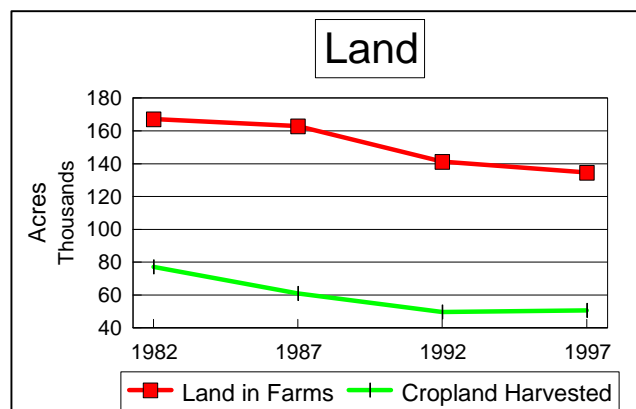
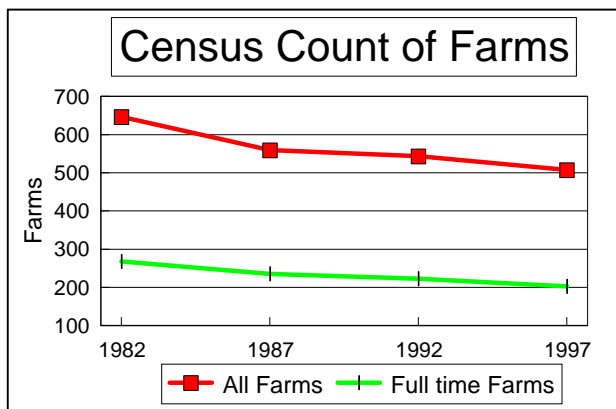
Increased 18 percent to \$24,406,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 47 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 53 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 26 percent from \$38,036 in 1992 to \$48,042 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	24,406	39	82	1,942	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	12,836	30	82	1,654	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	11,570	20	82	1,664	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	7,414	2	82	1,140	3,063
Dairy products	5,056	6	55	636	2,563
Cotton, cottonseed	3,541	27	61	274	709
Soybeans	3,085	26	76	873	2,136
Corn for grain	2,182	18	81	1,088	2,582
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	19,125	3	82	1,037	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	13	50	586	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	1,065	24	74	1,790	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	1	53	1,308	2,765
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	11	25	596	1,593
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	29,273	4	82	1,164	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	11	76	430	2,884
Horse and pony inventory	658	10	82	1,220	3,066
Hogs and pigs inventory	627	24	77	1,793	3,005
Sheep and lamb inventory	(D)	1	62	1,454	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	16,911	3	82	1,200	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	15,710	28	76	867	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	8,646	17	82	1,128	2,691
Cotton-acres	6,644	29	61	302	713
Corn for silage-acres	1,805	2	63	741	2,473

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	325	351	-7
\$10,000 or more	183	193	-5
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	16,267	16,362	-1
Average per farmdollars..	32,022	30,077	6
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	5,762	3,572	61
Average per farmdollars..	11,342	6,567	73
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	458	491	-7
Partnership or corporation	46	52	-12
Other	4	1	300
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	203	223	-9
Other	305	321	-5
Operators by sex:			
Male	472	515	-8
Female	36	29	24
Operators by race:			
White	482	498	-3
Black and other races	26	46	-43
Average age of operator	55.2	54.8	1

(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.