

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile



United States Department of Agriculture
South Carolina Agricultural Statistics Service

COLLETON SOUTH CAROLINA

Land in farms

Increased 23 percent from 126,370 acres in 1992 to 154,829 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 48 percent from 252 acres in 1992 to 372 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 20 percent from 209 farms in 1992 to 167 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

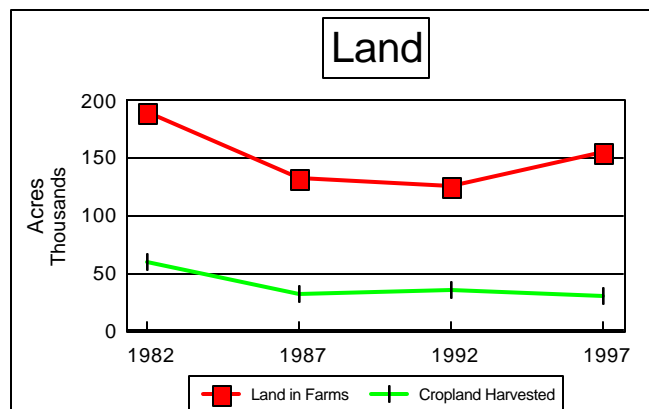
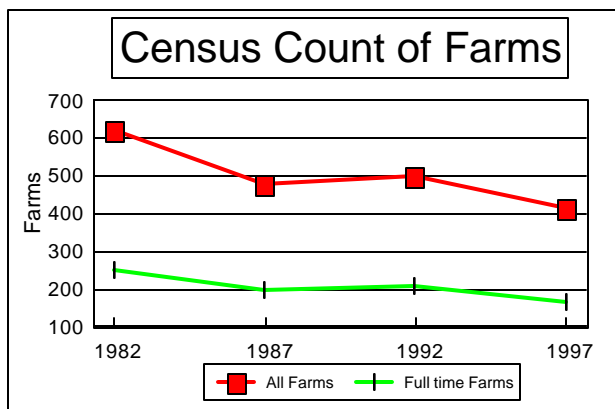
Increased 23 percent to \$15,191,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 76 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 24 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 49 percent from \$24,560 in 1992 to \$36,516 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	15,191	32	46	2,291	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	11,500	25	46	1,667	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	3,690	36	46	2,493	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	3,183	5	46	263	2,739
Corn for grain	2,965	7	45	977	2,582
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1,516	23	46	802	2,790
Hogs and pigs	1,495	12	46	905	2,976
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	33	46	924	2,901
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	18	36	610	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	14,973	13	46	904	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	3,356	25	46	2,425	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	13	35	523	2,200
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	4	29	337	1,593
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	17	46	554	3,002
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	41,673	5	45	49	2,884
Cattle and calves inventory	6,786	23	46	2,421	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	6,679	13	46	941	3,005
All goat inventory	514	18	46	460	2,983
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	13,794	7	46	950	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	7,248	20	43	1,099	2,144
Hay crops-acres	3,752	25	46	2,462	3,061
Wheat-acres	3,009	24	45	1,271	2,612
Land used for vegetables-acres	1,781	5	46	314	2,741

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	289	366	-21
\$10,000 or more	127	136	-7
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	12,776	12,180	5
Average per farmdollars..	30,712	24,263	27
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,429	538	166
Average per farmdollars..	3,436	1,072	221
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	380	458	-17
Partnership or corporation	34	41	-17
Other	2	3	-33
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	167	209	-20
Other	249	293	-15
Operators by sex:			
Male	384	458	-16
Female	32	44	-27
Operators by race:			
White	358	426	-16
Black and other races	58	76	-24
Average age of operator	56.3	55.1	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.