

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
South Carolina Agricultural Statistics Service



MARLBORO SOUTH CAROLINA

Land in farms

Increased 11 percent from 104,862 acres in 1992 to 116,548 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 7 percent from 603 acres in 1992 to 647 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 18 percent from 120 farms in 1992 to 98 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

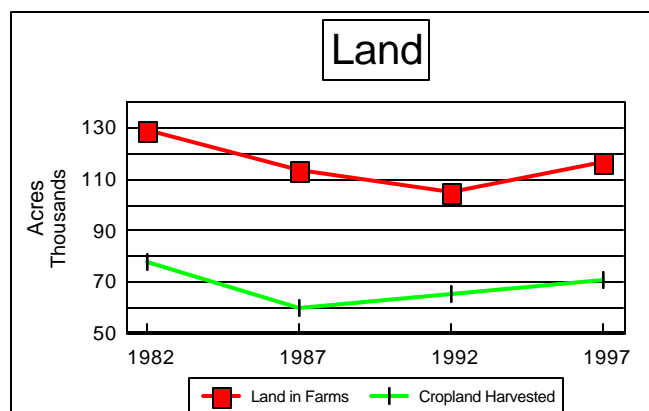
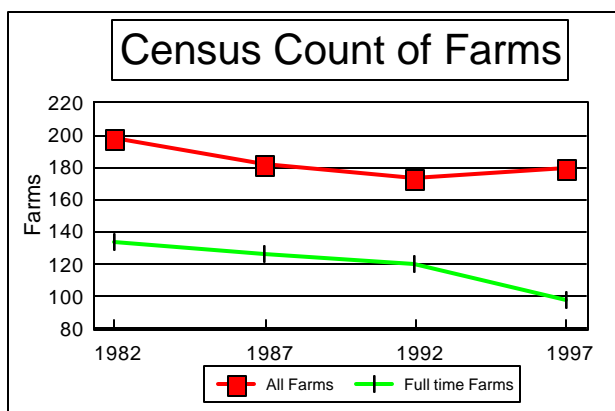
Increased 74 percent to \$36,469,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 79 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 21 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 69 percent from \$120,165 in 1992 to \$202,605 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	36,469	19	46	1,532	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	28,862	10	46	970	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	7,607	24	46	2,077	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cotton, cottonseed	16,874	1	36	95	709
Poultry & poultry products	7,217	20	46	510	2,901
Soybeans	4,434	7	42	766	2,136
Tobacco	3,648	10	18	190	580
Wheat	2,376	8	45	605	2,578
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	3,721,000	11	33	303	1,882
Turkeys sold	(D)	17	22	306	1,353
Cattle and calves sold	1,046	40	46	2,811	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	163	41	46	2,459	2,976
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	33	36	1,704	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	648,404	11	45	296	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	2,899	37	46	2,753	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	217	38	46	2,229	3,005
All goat inventory	215	35	46	1,110	2,983
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	109	42	46	2,601	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Cotton-acres	32,426	2	36	115	713
Soybeans for beans-acres	27,163	8	43	703	2,144
Wheat-acres	14,337	9	45	636	2,612
Corn for grain-acres	2,182	24	46	1,611	2,691
Hay crops-acres	2,159	32	46	2,687	3,061

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	93	66	41
\$10,000 or more	87	108	-19
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	25,852	17,811	45
Average per farmdollars..	143,623	102,364	40
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	10,296	2,706	280
Average per farmdollars..	57,198	15,552	268
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	152	144	6
Partnership or corporation	28	29	-3
Other	-	1	-100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	98	120	-18
Other	82	54	52
Operators by sex:			
Male	154	163	-6
Female	26	11	136
Operators by race:			
White	167	163	2
Black and other races	13	11	18
Average age of operator	58.3	56.4	3

(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.