

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Tennessee Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Increased 3 percent from 95,818 acres in 1992 to 99,160 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased slightly from 124 acres in 1992 to 123 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 14 percent from 290 farms in 1992 to 248 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

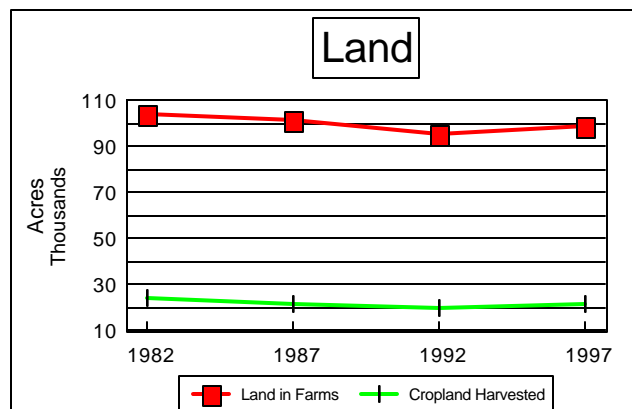
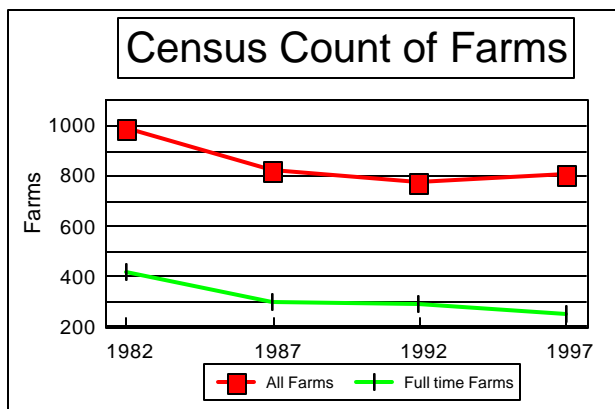
Increased 41 percent to \$26,091,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 81 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 19 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 36 percent from \$23,856 in 1992 to \$32,371 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	26,091	33	95	1,880	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	21,055	20	95	1,222	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	5,036	57	95	2,362	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	17,913	3	93	124	2,790
Cattle and calves	3,695	49	95	1,702	3,063
Tobacco	1,721	30	75	262	580
Dairy products	975	47	84	1,431	2,563
Soybeans	875	36	83	1,209	2,136
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	10,623	47	95	1,558	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	2,895	40	94	1,425	2,976
All goats sold	379	18	92	261	2,686
Horses and ponies sold	63	64	95	1,395	3,015
Sheep and lambs sold	50	52	88	2,271	2,765
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	22,234	41	95	1,434	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	23	94	1,142	3,005
All goat inventory	1,346	9	95	140	2,983
Horse and pony inventory	626	53	95	1,283	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	380	61	94	1,904	3,002
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	13,979	47	95	1,365	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	4,167	37	83	1,251	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	1,529	49	95	1,723	2,691
All nursery-acres	1,514	6	90	188	2,619
Tobacco-acres	650	28	75	245	583

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	593	569	4
\$10,000 or more .....	213	206	3
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	18,264	13,105	39
Average per farm .....dollars..	22,660	16,931	34
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	8,826	5,621	57
Average per farm .....dollars..	10,950	7,263	51
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	744	702	6
Partnership or corporation .....	60	70	-14
Other .....	2	3	-33
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	248	290	-14
Other .....	558	485	15
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	745	709	5
Female .....	61	66	-8
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	800	774	3
Black and other races .....	6	1	500
Average age of operator .....	54.3	55.0	-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.