

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Tennessee Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Increased 1 percent from 230,906 acres in 1992 to 234,181 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 2 percent from 453 acres in 1992 to 445 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 291 farms in 1992 to 262 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

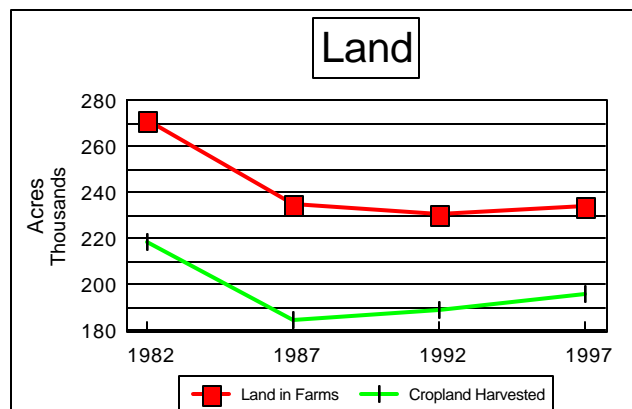
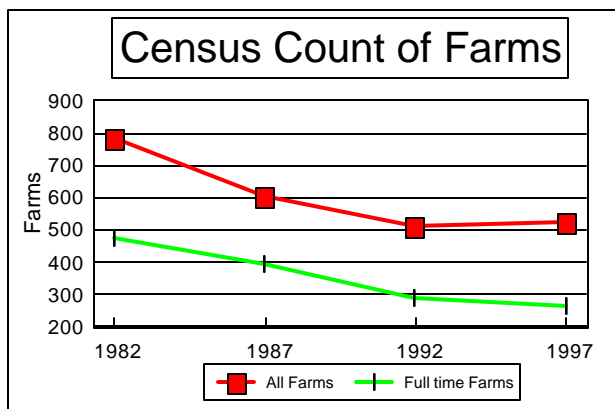
Increased 14 percent to \$55,625,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 94 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 6 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 10 percent from \$95,844 in 1992 to \$105,750 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	55,625	8	95	1,071	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	52,456	4	95	512	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	3,168	71	95	2,572	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Soybeans	25,815	1	83	182	2,136
Cotton, cottonseed	13,429	7	26	118	709
Corn for grain	5,873	7	94	746	2,582
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	(D)	3	92	245	2,739
Wheat	3,305	5	86	507	2,578
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	6,620	59	95	1,930	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	2,791	41	94	1,439	2,976
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	170	39	82	1,268	2,203
Horses and ponies sold	85	55	95	1,085	3,015
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	23	47	885	1,593
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	10,982	68	95	2,057	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	1,311	43	94	1,491	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	556	60	95	1,460	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	181	82	94	2,365	3,002
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	89	76	94	2,050	2,884
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Soybeans for beans-acres	127,101	1	83	108	2,144
Cotton-acres	30,026	7	26	121	713
Wheat-acres	26,188	3	87	457	2,612
Corn for grain-acres	21,097	7	95	801	2,691
Land used for vegetables-acres	(D)	1	92	87	2,741

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 .....	239	169	41
\$10,000 or more .....	287	341	-16
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	37,702	33,958	11
Average per farm .....dollars..	71,541	66,454	8
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	17,048	14,260	20
Average per farm .....dollars..	32,350	27,907	16
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	429	443	-3
Partnership or corporation .....	95	64	48
Other .....	2	3	-33
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	262	291	-10
Other .....	264	219	21
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	489	485	1
Female .....	37	25	48
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	520	507	3
Black and other races .....	6	3	100
Average age of operator .....	54.9	53.3	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.