

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Tennessee Agricultural Statistics Service



GIBSON TENNESSEE

Land in farms

Increased 2 percent from 272,121 acres in 1992 to 278,080 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 5 percent from 303 acres in 1992 to 318 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 17 percent from 482 farms in 1992 to 400 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

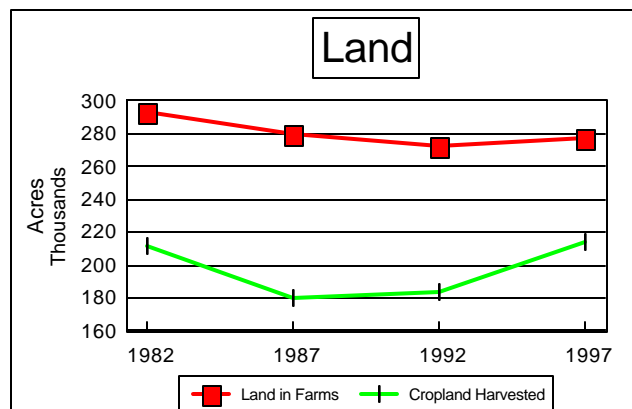
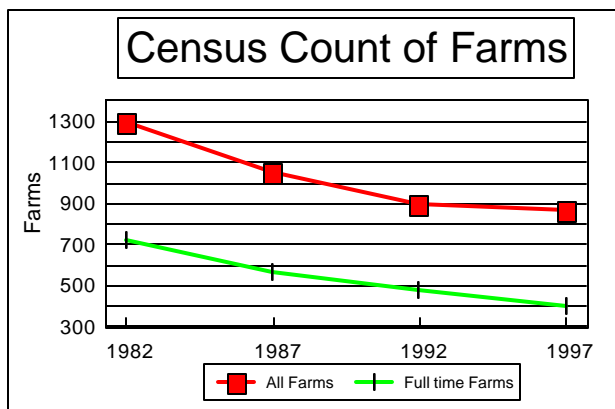
Increased 10 percent to \$68,474,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 87 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 13 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 13 percent from \$69,537 in 1992 to \$78,346 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	68,474	4	95	847	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	59,557	3	95	427	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	8,917	37	95	1,950	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Soybeans	22,817	2	83	230	2,136
Cotton, cottonseed	15,273	6	26	110	709
Corn for grain	14,790	2	94	445	2,582
Wheat	5,506	1	86	337	2,578
Cattle and calves	5,427	31	95	1,409	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	17,571	10	94	856	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	13,867	32	95	1,306	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	12	75	596	2,200
Horses and ponies sold	522	4	95	77	3,015
All goats sold	74	52	92	1,116	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	21,779	42	95	1,456	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	7,506	11	94	910	3,005
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	12	94	494	2,884
Horse and pony inventory	821	40	95	954	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	405	58	94	1,851	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	97,217	2	83	220	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	55,362	2	95	478	2,691
Cotton-acres	41,313	4	26	86	713
Wheat-acres	39,288	1	87	357	2,612
Hay crops-acres	10,682	59	95	1,652	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	508	444	14
\$10,000 or more	366	454	-19
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	48,382	43,523	11
Average per farmdollars..	55,357	48,412	14
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	19,321	18,575	4
Average per farmdollars..	22,107	20,662	7
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	778	804	-3
Partnership or corporation	92	89	3
Other	4	5	-20
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	400	482	-17
Other	474	416	14
Operators by sex:			
Male	813	861	-6
Female	61	37	65
Operators by race:			
White	855	879	-3
Black and other races	19	19	
Average age of operator	54.1	54.1	

(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.