

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Tennessee Agricultural Statistics Service



## GILES TENNESSEE

### Land in farms

Decreased 3 percent from 256,272 acres in 1992 to 249,257 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 12 percent from 180 acres in 1992 to 159 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 3 percent from 548 farms in 1992 to 531 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

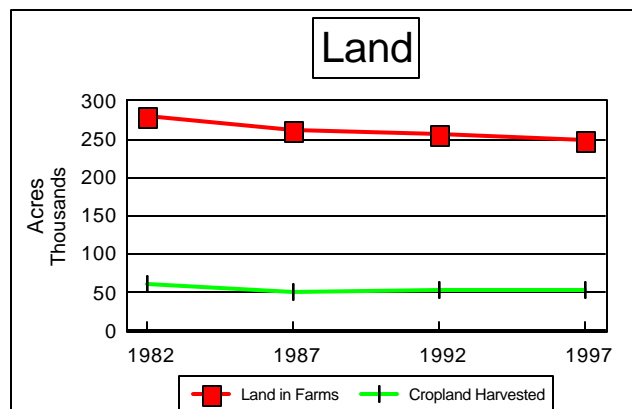
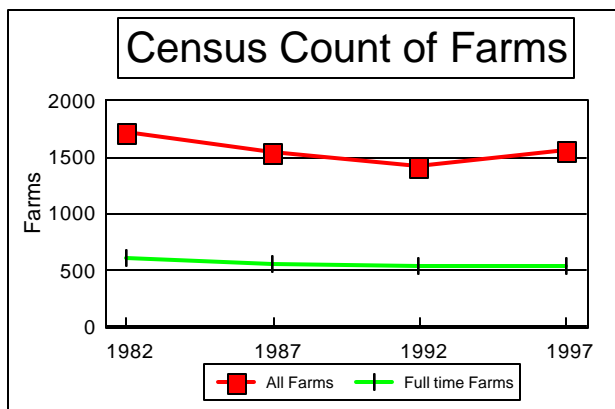
Increased slightly

Crop sales accounted for 17 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 83 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 8 percent from \$21,061 in 1992 to \$19,287 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	30,281	26	95	1,713	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	25,261	10	95	1,026	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	5,020	49	95	2,122	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	16,733	1	95	521	3,063
Dairy products	4,640	16	84	667	2,563
Poultry & poultry products	1,891	25	93	819	2,901
Hogs and pigs	1,631	11	94	876	2,976
Soybeans	1,317	31	83	1,104	2,136
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	171,275	4	82	365	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	44,111	1	95	358	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	14,848	11	94	906	2,976
All goats sold	515	7	92	177	2,686
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	451	24	75	968	2,200
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	133,198	5	94	368	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	65,503	2	95	382	3,064
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	8	91	341	2,549
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	6	67	335	1,790
Hogs and pigs inventory	9,372	9	94	838	3,005
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	39,634	8	95	436	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	7,383	22	95	1,179	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	5,493	34	83	1,181	2,144
Corn for silage-acres	1,808	13	88	738	2,473
Cotton-acres	(D)	20	26	534	713

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 .....	1,201	1,017	18
\$10,000 or more .....	369	409	-10
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	28,229	26,387	7
Average per farm .....dollars..	17,980	18,504	-3
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	935	2,834	-67
Average per farm .....dollars..	595	1,987	-70
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	1,437	1,296	11
Partnership or corporation .....	129	126	2
Other .....	4	4	
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	531	548	-3
Other .....	1,039	878	18
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	1,436	1,317	9
Female .....	134	109	23
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	1,515	1,379	10
Black and other races .....	55	47	17
Average age of operator .....	54.3	54.6	-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.