

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Tennessee Agricultural Statistics Service



LAUDERDALE TENNESSEE

Land in farms

Increased 5 percent from 182,754 acres in 1992 to 192,010 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 2 percent from 387 acres in 1992 to 380 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 4 percent from 249 farms in 1992 to 239 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

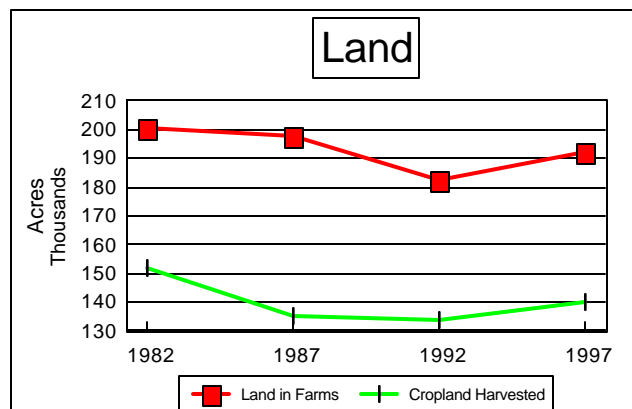
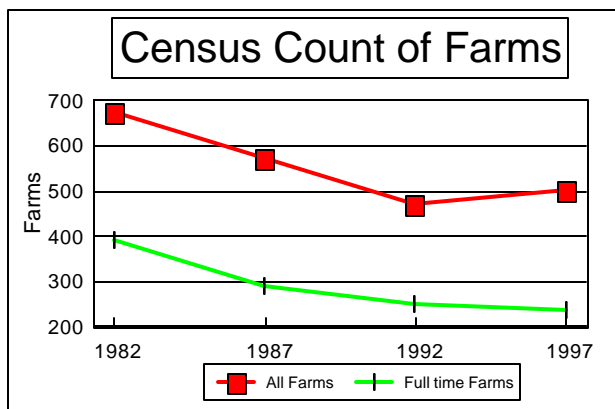
Increased 27 percent to \$47,293,000 in 1997.

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 19 percent from \$78,650 in 1992 to \$93,649 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 | 47,293 | 15 | 95 | 1,253 | 3,076 |
| Value of crops including nursery | 44,440 | 8 | 95 | 631 | 3,070 |
| Value of livestock and poultry | 2,853 | 74 | 95 | 2,608 | 3,069 |
| TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Soybeans | 17,710 | 4 | 83 | 350 | 2,136 |
| Cotton, cottonseed | 17,037 | 5 | 26 | 91 | 709 |
| Corn for grain | 3,957 | 10 | 94 | 889 | 2,582 |
| Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons | 3,331 | 4 | 92 | 254 | 2,739 |
| Wheat | 1,941 | 6 | 86 | 672 | 2,578 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves sold | 5,280 | 74 | 95 | 2,128 | 3,063 |
| Hogs and pigs sold | 4,239 | 29 | 94 | 1,289 | 2,976 |
| Horses and ponies sold | 66 | 61 | 95 | 1,349 | 3,015 |
| All goats sold | 45 | 65 | 92 | 1,517 | 2,686 |
| Sheep and lambs sold | 10 | 75 | 88 | 2,620 | 2,765 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves inventory | 8,739 | 82 | 95 | 2,263 | 3,064 |
| Hogs and pigs inventory | 2,355 | 30 | 94 | 1,276 | 3,005 |
| Horse and pony inventory | 378 | 71 | 95 | 1,948 | 3,066 |
| Layers 20 weeks and older inventory | 243 | 74 | 94 | 2,209 | 3,002 |
| All goat inventory | 118 | 74 | 95 | 1,610 | 2,983 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA | | | | | |
| Soybeans for beans-acres | 83,359 | 4 | 83 | 290 | 2,144 |
| Cotton-acres | 35,383 | 6 | 26 | 104 | 713 |
| Corn for grain-acres | 14,749 | 10 | 95 | 923 | 2,691 |
| Wheat-acres | 14,033 | 6 | 87 | 642 | 2,612 |
| Hay crops-acres | 4,634 | 90 | 95 | 2,331 | 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 | 277 | 221 | 25 |
| \$10,000 or more | 228 | 251 | -9 |
| Total farm production expenses\$1,000.. | 30,979 | 26,690 | 16 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 61,224 | 56,547 | 8 |
| Net cash return from agricultural sales | | | |
| for the farm unit\$1,000.. | 17,651 | 10,328 | 71 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 34,884 | 21,881 | 59 |
| Farms by type of organization: | | | |
| Individual or family | 417 | 384 | 9 |
| Partnership or corporation | 85 | 85 | |
| Other | 3 | 3 | |
| OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS | | | |
| Operators by principal occupation: | | | |
| Farming | 239 | 249 | -4 |
| Other | 266 | 223 | 19 |
| Operators by sex: | | | |
| Male | 456 | 452 | 1 |
| Female | 49 | 20 | 145 |
| Operators by race: | | | |
| White | 480 | 450 | 7 |
| Black and other races | 25 | 22 | 14 |
| Average age of operator | 55.4 | 52.9 | 5 |

(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.