

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Tennessee Agricultural Statistics Service



## MONTGOMERY TENNESSEE

### Land in farms

Decreased 6 percent from 174,807 acres in 1992 to 164,575 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 10 percent from 186 acres in 1992 to 167 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 7 percent from 438 farms in 1992 to 409 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

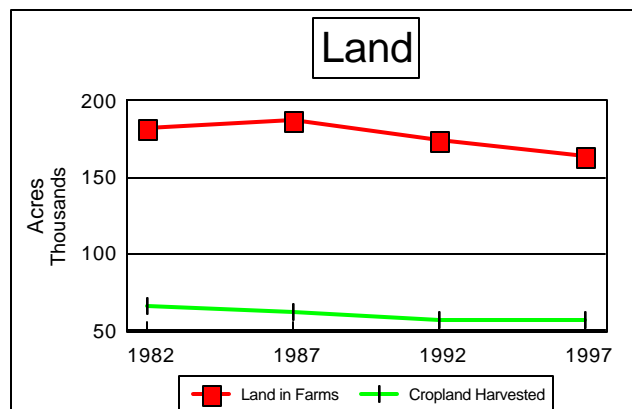
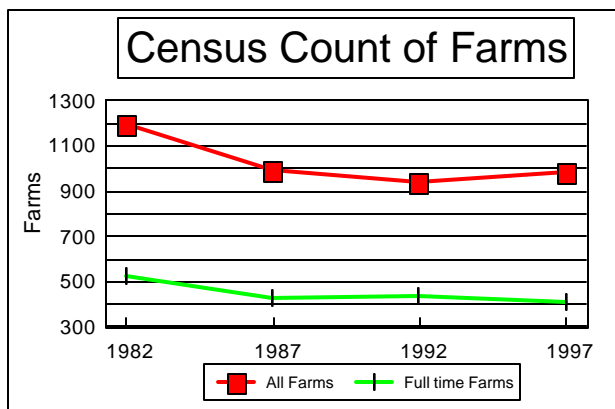
Increased 1 percent to \$30,810,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 73 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 27 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 4 percent from \$32,416 in 1992 to \$31,185 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	30,810	24	95	1,693	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	22,626	17	95	1,164	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	8,184	39	95	2,023	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Tobacco	12,958	3	75	70	580
Cattle and calves	6,103	22	95	1,295	3,063
Corn for grain	4,004	9	94	885	2,582
Soybeans	3,412	18	83	842	2,136
Dairy products	1,542	39	84	1,183	2,563
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	15,552	23	95	1,216	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	10	75	507	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	2,449	46	94	1,483	2,976
All goats sold	199	31	92	480	2,686
Horses and ponies sold	126	37	95	725	3,015
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	30,959	22	95	1,093	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	5,753	3	94	218	2,884
Hogs and pigs inventory	1,408	41	94	1,472	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	879	37	95	882	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	713	39	94	1,404	3,002
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	26,246	19	95	779	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	14,662	22	83	886	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	12,053	13	95	1,012	2,691
Wheat-acres	6,530	13	87	929	2,612
Tobacco-acres	3,254	4	75	81	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 .....	607	555	9
\$10,000 or more .....	381	386	-1
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	20,613	21,063	-2
Average per farm .....dollars..	20,885	22,360	-7
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	10,112	9,408	7
Average per farm .....dollars..	10,245	9,987	3
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	849	795	7
Partnership or corporation .....	135	143	-6
Other .....	4	3	33
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	409	438	-7
Other .....	579	503	15
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	918	881	4
Female .....	70	60	17
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	948	880	8
Black and other races .....	40	61	-34
Average age of operator .....	55.6	55.4	0

(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.