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The Kentucky Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service in cooperation with the Kentucky Department of Agriculture is pleased to present this edition of current and historical agricultural information for Kentucky's leading industry. There are many changes taking place in today's agriculture across the Commonwealth and the statistical series in this document track these developments.

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### CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE FARMS: NUMBER, ACRES, VALUE AND LAND USE, 1909-2007 <sup>1/</sup>

Year	Number of Farms	Land in Farms (Acres)	Avg Size of Farm	Avg Value of Land & Buildings per Acre (Dollars)	Land Use						
					Cropland			Other		Woodland	
					Harvested	Not Harvested	Pasture <sup>2/</sup>	Pasture <sup>2/</sup>	Other Land	Pasture	Other
1909	2,511	242,729	97	10	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	2,540	246,016	97	20	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	2,537	238,108	94	17	60,705	29,099	36,495	9,297	27,681	15,510	59,321
1929	2,150	228,517	106	14	62,633	28,845	34,073	8,759	22,152	20,180	51,875
1934	2,273	233,505	103	11	60,729	16,032	30,370	20,504	34,359	18,600	52,911
1939	2,091	223,888	107	12	57,749	20,750	42,368	NA	NA	NA	NA
1944	1,827	212,620	116	16	56,166	15,806	23,044	31,263	16,183	18,759	51,399
1949	1,910	222,693	117	32	54,301	23,643	31,730	30,624	23,530	19,269	39,596
1954	1,490	195,275	131	37	51,016	17,520	28,611	18,506	12,221	21,645	45,756
1959	1,119	161,430	144	50	39,331	17,317	26,574	11,260	12,254	17,029	37,665
1964	913	150,885	165	75	27,079	18,175	28,536	11,905	8,016	18,716	38,448
1969	1,007	174,578	173	128	26,121	25,418	39,044	NA	28,141 <sup>3/</sup>	NA	55,854 <sup>4/</sup>
1974	796	157,803	198	249	33,437	8,945	39,121	NA	24,736 <sup>3/</sup>	NA	51,564 <sup>4/</sup>
1978	761	156,040	205	516	44,241	11,304	28,095	11,821	12,231	18,502	29,846
1982	733	146,245	200	573	49,826	8,637	18,909	11,286	8,621	16,655	32,311
1987	651	147,220	226	547	43,401	12,475	20,094	15,143	6,143	14,007	35,957
1992	671	140,810	210	766	41,402	11,011	22,776	10,262	8,012	13,029	34,318
<sup>5/</sup> 1997	812	165,306	204	958	46,032	11,368	28,069	14,612	9,430	16,580	39,215
<sup>5/</sup> 2002	729	161,712	222	1,537	46,512	12,446	21,283	18,671	9,059	15,404	38,337
<sup>5/</sup> 2007	778	173,965	224	1,935	45,521	11,646	16,414	30,185	8,749	11,752	49,698

<sup>1/</sup>Due to changes in the definition of a farm, Farm Numbers and Land in Farms are not always comparable from Census to Census. <sup>2/</sup>Due to changes in definition and wording of question, figures for Cropland Pasture and Other Pasture are not always comparable from Census to Census. <sup>3/</sup>Includes Other Pasture. <sup>4/</sup>Includes Woodland Pasture. <sup>5/</sup>1997-2002 data adjusted for coverage. (NA)Data Not Available. (-)Zero.

### CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE NUMBER OF FARMS, BY SIZE, GROUP, 1909-2007

Year	Size of Farm (Acres)								All Farms
	1 - 9	10-49	50-179	180-499	500-999	1,000-1,999	2000+	1,000-OVER <sup>2/</sup>	
1909	68	723	1,391	309	17	3	NA	2,511	
1919	71	683	1,484	285	14	3	NA	2,540	
1924	95	736	1,403	284	14	5	NA	2,537	
1929	49	580	1,198	308	8	7	NA	2,150	
1934	105	557	1,269	324	13	5	NA	2,273	
1939	82	522	1,172	292	21	2	NA	2,091	
1944	117	336	1,055	294	20	5	NA	1,827	
1949	79	397	1,110	302	18	4	NA	1,910	
1954	40	251	890	278	28	3	NA	1,490	
1959	33	158	633	271	20	4	NA	1,119	
1964	21	109	477	268	37	1	-	913	
1969	41	117	510	292	40	5	2	1,007	
1974	32	91	363	268	28	12	2	796	
1978	37	94	356	213	48	9	4	761	
1982	48	114	328	192	35	9	7	733	
1987	34	89	307	169	35	12	5	651	
1992	41	111	299	160	42	11	7	671	
<sup>3/</sup> 1997	24	149	386	183	48	14	8	812	
<sup>3/</sup> 2002	17	122	354	169	44	13	10	729	
<sup>3/</sup> 2007	25	159	346	171	49	19	9	778	

<sup>1/</sup>1909-1929. <sup>2/</sup>1909-1959. <sup>3/</sup>1997-2007 data adjusted for coverage. (NA)Data Not Available. (-)Zero.

## CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD, 1978-2007

	1978	1982	1987	1992	1997 <sup>3/</sup>	2002 <sup>3/</sup>	2007 <sup>3/</sup>
	(Thousand Dollars)						
Value of sales	10,242	12,257	11,010	13,995	24,043	19,097	27,719
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse <sup>1/</sup>	5,763	7,804	5,811	8,624	9,130	7,074	10,655
Grains, oilseeds.....	4,578	5,803	4,651	6,414	NA	5,960	9,700
Tobacco.....	1,000	1,678	787	1,851	1,480	746	(D)
Hay and other crops.....	176	281	321	326	NA	223	(D)
b. Livestock, poultry and their products <sup>2/</sup>	4,479	4,453	5,199	5,371	14,913	12,023	17,064
Poultry and eggs.....	2	1	NA	D	4,942	4,289	7,214
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	290	D	424	541	458	590	(D)
Cattle & Calves.....	2,444	1,690	2,195	2,770	5,981	3,712	4,953
Hogs & Pigs.....	1,706	2,220	2,558	2,042	3,477	3,214	(D)

<sup>1/</sup>Includes a value of crops not listed. <sup>2/</sup>Includes values of other livestock and livestock products not listed. <sup>3/</sup>1997-2007 data adjusted for coverage. (D) Data withheld to avoid disclosing information for individual farms (NA) Data not available.

## CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE TOTAL & SPECIFIED FARM PRODUCTION EXPENDITURES, 1939-2007

Year	Total	Feed Purchased	Livestock and Poultry Purchased	Hired Labor	Petroleum Products and Utilities	Seed, Plants, Vines, and Trees	Fertilizer, Lime, Soil Conditioners and Chemicals Purchased <sup>1/</sup>
	(Dollars)						
1939	NA	43,133	NA	25,436	7,585	NA	16,225
1944	NA	208,460	NA	49,649	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	249,039	163,437	84,960	109,063	65,686	NA
1954	NA	198,935	NA	66,170	162,630	NA	275,693
1959	NA	288,430	139,020	58,160	140,423	52,559	NA
1964	NA	378,675	137,955	78,956	156,145	66,800	193,785
1969	2,526,000	556,529	285,454	120,279	211,800	81,295	296,703
1974	4,157,000	799,000	542,000	178,000	NA	176,000	693,000
1978	NA	858,000	497,000	360,000	746,000	386,000	1,596,000
1987	8,419,000	1,120,000	553,000	435,000	742,000	389,000	1,632,000
1992	11,681,000	1,660,000	988,000	703,000	962,000	576,000	2,414,000
<sup>2/</sup> 1997	22,228,000	7,203,000	3,222,000	982,000	869,000 <sup>3/</sup>	754,000	2,721,000 <sup>4/</sup>
<sup>2/</sup> 2002	16,161,000	4,193,000	1,305,000	984,000	1,252,000	809,000	2,218,000
<sup>2/</sup> 2007	24,680,000	6,791,000	1,584,000	1,207,000	2,176,000	962,000	3,655,000

<sup>1/</sup>1987 - 2007 includes cost of custom applications. <sup>2/</sup>1997-2007 data adjusted for coverage. <sup>3/</sup>1997 does not include utilities. <sup>4/</sup>1997 does not include lime nor manure. (NA)Data Not Available. (D)Data withheld to avoid disclosing information for individual farms.

## CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE OCCUPATION AND AGE, 1987 - 2007

Operators by	1987	1992	1997 <sup>1/</sup>	2002 <sup>1/</sup>	2007 <sup>1/</sup>
Principal occupation					
Farming.....	275	267	269	345	271
Other.....	376	404	543	384	507
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	14	12	13	6	5
25 to 34 Years.....	96	91	66	43	42
35 to 44 Years.....	135	116	196	134	99
45 to 54 Years.....	139	144	192	208	218
55 to 64 Years.....	126	121	159	163	192
65 and over.....	141	187	186	175	222
Average Age.....	50.7	53.1	52.6	54.1	56.2

<sup>1/</sup>1997-2007 data adjusted for coverage.



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