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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 ^{1/}

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 ^{2/}	Pasture ^{2/}	Other Land	Pasture	Other			
1909	1,372	103,900	76	38	NA	78,814	^{1/}	NA	NA	1,226	^{1/}	NA	23,860	^{1/}
1919	1,437	102,199	71	74	NA	81,381	^{1/}	NA	NA	3,028	^{1/}	NA	17,790	^{1/}
1924	1,509	104,367	69	36	39,626	11,222		30,526	1,876	8,656		4,532	7,929	
1929	1,153	99,816	87	34	37,305	11,454		22,232	2,060	10,387		4,888	11,490	
1934	1,171	101,192	86	21	36,672	11,367		24,177	2,455	9,741		4,722	12,058	
1939	1,143	107,620	94	29	38,504	9,549		29,906	NA	NA		NA	NA	
1944	1,001	106,085	106	39	35,914	6,201		34,157	2,016	10,694		4,095	13,008	
1949	989	108,021	109	64	37,550	5,820		34,669	2,183	8,577		6,371	12,851	
1954	884	101,404	115	68	34,815	2,339		31,493	7,388	6,264		7,263	11,842	
1959	708	90,547	128	83	25,910	10,640		30,737	2,501	5,666		4,564	10,529	
1964	657	94,922	145	156	23,119	14,595		34,171	1,894	4,993		6,392	9,765	
1969	625	90,557	145	215	25,466	11,928		27,396	NA	10,697	^{3/}	NA	15,070	^{4/}
1974	551	87,313	158	375	37,989	4,960		22,573	NA	10,839	^{3/}	NA	10,952	^{4/}
1978	485	88,110	182	740	45,623	5,327		17,522	2,892	6,247		3,156	7,343	
1982	445	89,169	200	817	56,384	2,506		12,651	3,589	4,479		2,777	6,783	
1987	375	84,620	226	676	46,064	13,268		10,256	3,233	3,856		2,585	5,358	
1992	320	78,966	247	797	50,036	6,693		9,740	1,492	3,091		1,770	6,144	
^{5/} 1997	374	98,060	262	1,041	64,307	8,300		7,549	1,307	5,533		2,449	8,615	
^{5/} 2002	380	107,446	283	1,410	67,701	10,182		6,354	5,295	4,286		1,955	11,673	
^{5/} 2007	408	95,713	235	2,375	62,288	7,966		3,660	6,053	4,018		1,000	10,728	

^{1/}Due to changes in the definition of a farm, Farm Numbers and Land in Farms are not always comparable from Census to Census. ^{2/}Due to changes in definition and wording of question, figures for Cropland Pasture and Other Pasture are not always comparable from Census to Census. ^{3/}Includes Other Pasture. ^{4/}Includes Woodland Pasture. ^{5/}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+	50-174 ^{1/}	175-499 ^{1/}	
1909	54	552	660	101	1	4	NA			1,372
1919	65	591	684	94	2	1	NA			1,437
1924	89	623	713	80	3	1	NA			1,509
1929	21	354	681	90	6	1	NA			1,153
1934	28	365	677	95	5	1	NA			1,171
1939	48	292	685	110	7	1	NA			1,143
1944	31	206	620	134	8	2	NA			1,001
1949	32	219	597	128	11	2	NA			989
1954	48	209	465	145	17	-	NA			884
1959	27	138	390	140	9	4	NA			708
1964	26	103	370	138	17	3	-			657
1969	35	120	330	116	19	5	-			625
1974	22	117	268	117	18	8	1			551
1978	33	92	220	105	21	14	-			485
1982	35	89	184	92	33	10	2			445
1987	42	65	146	81	22	16	3			375
1992	30	73	104	75	21	12	5			320
^{3/} 1997	23	82	151	83	14	14	7			374
^{3/} 2002	8	119	152	62	17	12	10			380
^{3/} 2007	17	128	178	49	15	13	8			408

^{1/}1909-1929. ^{2/}1909-1959. ^{3/}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 ^{3/}	2002 ^{3/}	2007 ^{3/}
	(Thousand Dollars)						
Value of sales	11,853	15,511	12,949	17,960	26,308	31,473	48,359
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse ^{1/}	7,162	9,787	7,236	11,650	17,260	15,452	24,465
Grains, oilseeds.....	5,852	8,294	6,315	9,958	NA	13,667	21,938
Tobacco.....	1,089	1,396	709	1,516	1,793	1,717	2,211
Hay and other crops.....	180	85	169	125	NA	(D)	249
b. Livestock, poultry and their products ^{2/}	4,691	5,724	5,713	6,309	9,048	16,021	23,893
Poultry and eggs.....	D	D	D	714	4,866	10,600	16,595
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	1,155	D	1,791	1,624	1,175	1,307	1,145
Cattle & Calves.....	1,982	1,951	1,697	1,110	900	1,236	1,306
Hogs & Pigs.....	1,519	1,415	2,204	2,841	1,927	2,657	4,739

^{1/}Includes a value of crops not listed. ^{2/}Includes values of other livestock and livestock products not listed. ^{3/}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 ^{1/}
	(Dollars)						
1939	NA	34,896	NA	30,722	16,906	NA	6,361
1944	NA	269,359	NA	71,997	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	220,401	293,543	83,417	64,488	44,194	NA
1954	NA	214,775	NA	57,975	99,295	NA	93,875
1959	NA	356,217	172,825	77,410	109,685	20,960	NA
1964	NA	583,585	229,025	146,605	143,915	72,392	217,195
1969	3,275,000	779,732	457,217	274,028	178,534	92,428	270,660
1974	4,727,000	1,065,000	428,000	185,000	322,000	201,000	667,000
1978	NA	1,153,000	771,000	420,000	708,000	324,000	1,337,000
1987	9,705,000	1,202,000	696,000	728,000	819,000	604,000	2,192,000
1992	14,116,000	1,715,000	527,000	1,100,000	1,139,000	768,000	3,700,000
^{2/} 1997	19,232,000	4,234,000	1,027,000	1,278,000	1,093,000 ^{3/}	1,278,000	4,404,000 ^{4/}
^{2/} 2002	25,103,000	6,749,000	1,521,000	1,461,000	1,726,000	1,532,000	3,464,000
^{2/} 2007	42,610,000	11,452,000	4,391,000	1,756,000	2,381,000	2,239,000	11,187,000

^{1/}1987 - 2007 includes cost of custom applications. ^{2/}1997-2007 data adjusted for coverage. ^{3/}1997 does not include utilities. ^{4/}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 ^{1/}	2002 ^{1/}	2007 ^{1/}
Principal occupation					
Farming.....	142	131	148	206	153
Other.....	233	189	226	174	255
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	16	6	11	11	1
25 to 34 Years.....	57	44	31	18	32
35 to 44 Years.....	68	69	77	71	50
45 to 54 Years.....	82	69	68	95	105
55 to 64 Years.....	96	69	69	83	105
65 and over.....	56	63	118	102	115
Average Age.....	49.1	50.4	53.9	54.6	55.7

^{1/}1997-2007 data adjusted for coverage.



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