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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 (Acres)	Avg Value of Land & Buildings per Acre (Dollars)	Land Use (Acres)							
					Cropland			Other		Woodland		
					Harvested	Not Harvested	Pasture <sup>2/</sup>	Pasture <sup>2/</sup>	Other Land	Pasture	Other	
1909	3,707	267,062	72	53	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	3,808	240,006	63	114	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	3,916	238,037	61	86	106,282	29,667	56,048	8,865	24,619	2,454	10,102	
1929	3,728	245,053	66	67	108,742	30,997	47,789	12,520	27,250	7,550	10,205	
1934	3,764	262,821	70	44	108,734	34,819	57,819	8,273	36,350	4,225	12,601	
1939	3,294	259,758	79	57	103,465	34,364	64,206	NA	NA	NA	NA	
1944	3,201	249,768	78	71	116,624	18,105	37,236	33,411	28,725	5,002	10,665	
1949	2,950	249,447	85	109	120,998	22,364	49,826	11,193	21,742	8,463	14,861	
1954	2,481	233,292	94	132	113,609	9,098	61,761	6,123	14,894	12,746	15,061	
1959	2,109	244,254	116	211	112,964	18,452	51,248	10,091	22,637	6,841	22,021	
1964	1,952	245,036	126	284	109,895	25,277	48,984	17,049	15,944	8,817	18,972	
1969	1,971	249,731	127	374	101,934	32,417	49,048	NA	34,383 <sup>3/</sup>	NA	31,949 <sup>4/</sup>	
1974	1,619	229,072	141	619	127,128	10,964	35,351	NA	33,412 <sup>3/</sup>	NA	22,217 <sup>4/</sup>	
1978	1,573	239,118	152	1,363	154,204	9,421	28,441	7,009	14,427	7,567	18,049	
1982	1,497	240,192	160	1,360	166,368	8,456	20,650	7,021	13,679	7,205	16,813	
1987	1,288	248,898	193	1,140	161,794	26,438	20,208	8,442	11,558	5,973	14,485	
1992	1,264	250,128	198	1,553	178,766	13,213	20,954	8,470	8,333	5,648	14,744	
<sup>5/</sup> 1997	1,161	260,806	225	1,664	190,145	5,145	18,818	10,547	14,211	5,386	16,554	
<sup>5/</sup> 2002	1,062	254,332	239	2,041	191,446	6,279	16,836	13,543	7,395	3,787	15,046	
<sup>5/</sup> 2007	1,008	256,922	255	3,024	187,316	7,114	14,543	16,261	9,459	4,058	18,171	

<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	276	1,426	1,743	248	13	1	NA	3,707	
1919	444	1,509	1,681	165	7	2	NA	3,808	
1924	460	1,547	1,747	153	7	2	NA	3,916	
1929	483	1,340	1,705	191	9	-	-	3,728	
1934	538	1,203	1,808	202	10	3	NA	3,764	
1939	423	902	1,727	219	18	5	NA	3,294	
1944	442	966	1,542	222	25	4	NA	3,201	
1949	404	792	1,460	270	20	4	NA	2,950	
1954	358	619	1,202	264	30	8	NA	2,481	
1959	217	528	1,015	291	48	7	3	2,109	
1964	292	450	827	308	60	14	1	1,952	
1969	257	493	854	301	42	18	6	1,971	
1974	157	410	729	242	52	25	4	1,619	
1978	206	438	595	234	63	33	4	1,573	
1982	233	450	495	216	59	37	7	1,497	
1987	155	408	400	202	72	39	12	1,288	
1992	180	410	403	157	57	37	20	1,264	
<sup>3/</sup> 1997	131	389	363	152	66	38	22	1,161	
<sup>3/</sup> 2002	90	373	356	125	50	45	23	1,062	
<sup>3/</sup> 2007	75	367	317	129	61	35	24	1,008	

<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 <u>3/</u>	2002 <u>3/</u>	2007 <u>3/</u>
	(Thousand Dollars)						
Value of sales	45,640	54,046	45,168	66,957	73,251	62,732	117,621
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse <u>1/</u>	34,901	45,321	38,055	58,141	59,769	46,022	88,201
Grains, oilseeds.....	24,187	31,653	28,431	40,559	NA	34,359	76,552
Tobacco.....	10,268	13,124	8,382	14,482	13,685	7,302	8,330
Hay and other crops.....	225	235	355	657	NA	400	858
b. Livestock, poultry and their products <u>2/</u>	10,739	8,725	7,112	8,817	13,483	16,711	29,420
Poultry and eggs.....	D	D	3	D	3,760	6,998	19,930
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	2,182	1,868	1,762	1,924	1,484	1,307	920
Cattle & Calves.....	4,884	3,048	3,081	3,531	3,970	4,420	6,008
Hogs & Pigs.....	2,194	2,182	2,155	3,253	4,181	3,620	2,335

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 <u>1/</u>
	(Dollars)						
1939	NA	207,039	NA	233,752	67,356	NA	48,634
1944	NA	801,578	NA	464,199	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	659,733	560,270	494,566	382,194	227,708	NA
1954	NA	652,545	NA	560,180	567,330	NA	517,585
1959	NA	1,194,248	1,320,475	631,418	611,938	186,854	NA
1964	NA	1,912,379	1,949,605	899,204	708,232	276,597	951,067
1969	12,753,000	1,816,730	1,930,148	1,274,593	852,078	402,051	1,400,131
1974	20,546,000	3,118,000	2,496,000	1,562,000	1,266,000	797,000	3,919,000
1978	NA	2,358,000	1,980,000	2,655,000	2,563,000	1,329,000	6,345,000
1987	29,502,000	1,285,000	520,000	3,017,000	2,807,000	1,977,000	7,666,000
1992	41,235,000	2,486,000	768,000	4,783,000	3,299,000	3,206,000	10,680,000
<u>2/</u> 1997	49,103,000	5,368,000	1,450,000	4,867,000	2,809,000 <u>3/</u>	4,078,000	12,778,000 <u>4/</u>
<u>2/</u> 2002	54,328,000	6,987,000	2,378,000	5,467,000	3,878,000	4,600,000	11,508,000
<u>2/</u> 2007	80,612,000	13,741,000	3,843,000	6,476,000	6,435,000	7,864,000	18,646,000

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 <u>1/</u>	2002 <u>1/</u>	2007 <u>1/</u>
Principal occupation					
Farming.....	582	570	484	603	455
Other.....	706	694	677	459	553
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	32	28	20	11	18
25 to 34 Years.....	169	137	111	49	49
35 to 44 Years.....	290	273	270	221	133
45 to 54 Years.....	292	298	251	297	321
55 to 64 Years.....	298	261	256	241	249
65 and over.....	207	267	253	243	238
Average Age.....	50	51.4	52.2	53.5	55

1/1997-2007 data adjusted for coverage.



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