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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	1,852	127,788	69	63	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	1,929	129,034	67	141	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	2,752	145,896	53	79	43,614	2,757	70,942	1,490	14,490	3,187	9,416	
1929	2,188	129,320	59	76	36,486	5,637	67,342	2,312	8,745	4,241	4,557	
1934	2,217	140,839	64	54	38,411	1,749	79,249	2,657	5,853	8,562	4,358	
1939	1,922	137,529	72	72	32,066	11,019	77,011	NA	NA	NA	NA	
1944	2,092	134,860	64	106	34,082	1,393	55,179	27,186	8,018	8,331	671	
1949	1,941	141,211	73	147	34,049	1,832	73,625	5,421	10,702	6,890	8,692	
1954	1,778	142,167	80	159	32,357	719	81,824	1,528	10,989	6,002	8,748	
1959	1,494	140,638	94	234	29,424	2,195	68,171	14,189	8,386	9,917	8,356	
1964	1,256	138,055	110	237	25,244	5,225	62,038	25,128	7,122	5,420	7,851	
1969	1,150	141,343	123	302	22,383	6,950	68,466	NA	26,860 ^{3/}	NA	16,684 ^{4/}	
1974	1,023	138,061	135	437	23,678	2,569	72,958	NA	24,940 ^{3/}	NA	13,916 ^{4/}	
1978	999	130,468	131	767	26,449	4,695	65,282	12,447	6,762	7,459	7,374	
1982	1,049	137,939	131	1,031	30,009	5,016	59,896	20,768	6,082	6,778	9,390	
1987	1,021	141,754	139	1,117	30,486	9,934	56,565	21,547	5,845	7,591	9,786	
1992	984	138,061	140	1,015	28,852	6,833	61,016	19,948	5,198	6,866	9,348	
^{5/} 1997	952	127,057	133	1,376	30,834	6,719	49,967	19,709	5,032	8,354	6,442	
^{5/} 2002	873	120,022	137	1,852	33,798	3,600	35,995	26,185	6,007	6,380	8,057	
^{5/} 2007	821	121,673	148	2,622	34,281	3,753	20,967	43,752	4,717	5,903	8,300	

^{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+	1,000-OVER ^{2/}	
1909	200	844	647	145	14	2	NA	1,852	
1919	204	865	712	138	9	1	NA	1,929	
1924	536	1,360	714	125	14	3	NA	2,752	
1929	359	993	691	134	11	-	NA	2,188	
1934	471	845	728	157	16	-	NA	2,217	
1939	330	706	706	167	12	1	NA	1,922	
1944	423	845	676	132	14	2	NA	2,092	
1949	385	682	696	160	13	5	NA	1,941	
1954	352	605	641	156	19	5	NA	1,778	
1959	278	444	582	165	16	9	NA	1,494	
1964	262	279	515	164	27	6	3	1,256	
1969	210	225	488	189	32	4	2	1,150	
1974	106	216	470	196	30	3	2	1,023	
1978	123	213	436	192	32	2	1	999	
1982	158	244	428	190	21	5	3	1,049	
1987	139	219	429	200	26	5	3	1,021	
1992	116	238	402	181	38	7	2	984	
^{3/} 1997	79	252	415	163	37	5	1	952	
^{3/} 2002	56	215	409	159	26	7	1	873	
^{3/} 2007	34	229	357	162	30	8	1	821	

^{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	19,242	25,393	23,886	30,731	29,948	21,197	28,959
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse ^{1/}	8,648	12,568	7,686	14,692	14,765	6,227	6,404
Grains, oilseeds.....	169	435	112	209	NA	242	95
Tobacco.....	8,120	11,776	6,814	13,864	13,686	5,175	4,797
Hay and other crops.....	335	247	310	562	NA	589	1,234
b. Livestock, poultry and their products ^{2/}	10,593	12,825	16,200	16,039	15,183	14,970	22,556
Poultry and eggs.....	29	1	D	1	D	29	102
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	2,790	2,700	2,994	2,004	2,457	2,130	1,898
Cattle & Calves.....	7,056	9,414	12,236	13,581	12,222	12,434	20,169
Hogs & Pigs.....	663	D	839	320	130	(D)	5

^{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	63,603	NA	76,769	22,400	NA	16,975
1944	NA	351,162	NA	385,939	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	413,119	1,046,651	505,770	185,922	111,483	NA
1954	NA	310,245	NA	342,045	164,335	NA	327,377
1959	NA	400,930	787,955	426,326	195,353	51,139	NA
1964	NA	484,105	643,945	370,135	277,955	66,048	290,755
1969	6,110,000	831,486	1,616,023	596,036	346,344	70,880	392,302
1974	7,460,000	1,405,000	1,324,000	648,000	NA	95,000	810,000
1978	NA	2,039,000	3,016,000	931,000	876,000	153,000	692,000
1987	16,553,000	2,279,000	4,548,000	1,107,000	1,118,000	268,000	1,095,000
1992	18,920,000	2,039,000	5,763,000	1,353,000	1,251,000	160,000	1,396,000
^{2/} 1997	20,646,000	2,641,000	4,615,000	1,530,000	1,084,000 ^{3/}	519,000	1,679,000 ^{4/}
^{2/} 2002	18,443,000	2,100,000	2,617,000	1,656,000	1,347,000	412,000	1,350,000
^{2/} 2007	25,078,000	3,427,000	6,889,000	1,383,000	2,403,000	311,000	1,510,000

^{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.....	539	537	467	520	376
Other.....	482	447	485	353	445
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	32	14	9	6	12
25 to 34 Years.....	127	123	80	49	45
35 to 44 Years.....	185	148	166	166	106
45 to 54 Years.....	190	211	237	167	166
55 to 64 Years.....	211	189	221	239	229
65 and over.....	276	299	239	246	263
Average Age.....	52.8	54.5	54.4	56.1	57

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



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