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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 (Acres)	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	2,771	187,590	68	13	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	2,877	176,875	62	20	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	3,252	169,704	52	22	34,373	12,586	29,323	9,248	19,036	7,486	57,652
1929	2,850	155,203	55	26	32,595	21,022	32,792	3,805	11,690	9,621	43,678
1934	3,579	158,248	44	18	40,216	16,832	25,381	9,342	9,586	14,305	42,586
1939	3,432	166,857	49	21	39,840	13,722	40,117	NA	NA	NA	NA
1944	2,841	158,938	56	28	32,940	13,814	17,726	26,496	8,103	8,890	50,969
1949	2,763	153,755	56	45	26,896	18,384	21,377	12,546	9,614	15,981	48,962
1954	2,363	150,430	64	46	21,691	18,362	21,333	8,623	5,389	21,714	53,311
1959	1,274	102,266	80	62	15,277	10,662	12,668	7,198	4,208	8,832	43,421
1964	968	86,566	89	84	9,838	9,074	10,255	7,306	5,796	8,850	35,457
1969	674	70,228	104	115	5,536	7,172	13,002	NA	13,836 ^{3/}	NA	30,682 ^{4/}
1974	450	64,230	143	242	5,303	2,650	11,035	NA	14,810 ^{3/}	NA	30,432 ^{4/}
1978	447	53,157	119	582	5,690	5,961	10,378	2,106	4,221	5,735	19,066
1982	446	56,086	126	448	5,170	5,326	10,394	3,195	4,866	5,621	21,514
1987	379	51,153	135	664	6,333	3,588	10,884	5,441	3,785	5,510	15,612
1992	376	46,321	123	1,124	7,181	4,589	8,567	2,440	3,250	6,098	14,196
^{5/} 1997	366	50,993	139	968	9,624	2,337	7,747	4,781	1,840	5,055	19,609
^{5/} 2002	347	41,464	119	1,545	8,948	2,917	6,290	3,652	1,718	4,903	13,036
^{5/} 2007	376	51,115	136	2,193	11,673	2,211	3,988	11,920	1,963	4,434	14,926

^{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/}	2000+	
1909	423	1,122	974	230	22	-	NA	-	NA	2,771
1919	443	1,172	1,061	193	8	-	NA	-	NA	2,877
1924	856	1,279	973	130	13	1	NA	1	NA	3,252
1929	443	1,234	1,051	113	7	2	NA	2	NA	2,850
1934	880	1,563	1,027	102	6	1	NA	1	NA	3,579
1939	720	1,505	1,079	122	5	1	NA	1	NA	3,432
1944	479	1,161	1,069	121	11	-	NA	-	NA	2,841
1949	505	1,130	1,003	115	7	3	NA	3	NA	2,763
1954	363	988	861	143	3	5	NA	5	NA	2,363
1959	54	517	592	101	8	2	NA	2	NA	1,274
1964	42	351	474	89	10	1	NA	1	NA	968
1969	43	212	321	86	10	2	NA	2	NA	674
1974	46	87	219	77	14	7	NA	7	NA	450
1978	30	118	218	67	13	1	NA	1	NA	447
1982	27	109	223	69	16	2	NA	2	NA	446
1987	32	95	171	59	20	2	NA	2	NA	379
1992	39	109	154	54	16	4	NA	4	NA	376
^{3/} 1997	26	100	168	54	13	3	NA	3	NA	366
^{3/} 2002	28	103	151	50	12	3	NA	3	NA	347
^{3/} 2007	26	123	139	72	13	1	NA	1	NA	376

^{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	1,965	2,366	2,259	2,977	3,134	2,498	3,028
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse ^{1/}	1,172	D	1,212	1,889	1,941	1,646	775
Grains, oilseeds.....	79	88	127	158	NA	281	311
Tobacco.....	1,011	1,360	865	1,537	1,379	864	(D)
Hay and other crops.....	49	53	170	143	NA	351	292
b. Livestock, poultry and their products ^{2/}	792	D	1,047	1,088	1,193	852	2,253
Poultry and eggs.....	1	D	D	D	3	(Z)	(D)
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	D	D	313	208	D	(D)	102
Cattle & Calves.....	588	499	670	834	872	770	(D)
Hogs & Pigs.....	87	198	41	39	19	6	4

^{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	62,966	NA	26,353	5,775	NA	34,901
1944	NA	169,940	NA	58,910	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	193,010	108,920	79,565	18,480	73,743	NA
1954	NA	337,767	NA	183,730	37,094	NA	84,586
1959	NA	173,440	176,305	65,725	55,015	31,195	NA
1964	NA	183,455	85,091	74,793	46,635	30,306	76,036
1969	800,000	116,964	159,119	79,498	74,015	19,306	97,369
1974	946,000	168,000	111,000	74,000	NA	28,000	151,000
1978	NA	148,000	55,000	161,000	130,000	45,000	179,000
1982	NA	132,000	106,000	264,000	210,000	68,000	131,000
1987	1,541,000	135,000	142,000	103,000	180,000	44,000	183,000
1992	2,617,000	233,000	290,000	197,000	268,000	128,000	599,000
^{2/} 1997	2,673,000	147,000	184,000	216,000	235,000 ^{3/}	85,000	404,000 ^{4/}
^{2/} 2002	2,694,000	279,000	114,000	219,000	212,000	79,000	304,000
^{2/} 2007	4,186,000	878,000	189,000	130,000	622,000	68,000	444,000

^{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.....	135	120	111	164	100
Other.....	244	256	255	183	276
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	7	5	-	-	-
25 to 34 Years.....	36	32	36	11	18
35 to 44 Years.....	71	68	71	74	73
45 to 54 Years.....	92	104	79	75	103
55 to 64 Years.....	77	79	95	91	72
65 and over.....	96	88	85	96	110
Average Age.....	53.2	53.1	53.7	55.9	55.3

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



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