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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 Pasture		Woodland				
					Harvested	Not Harvested	Pasture ^{2/}	Pasture ^{2/}	Other Land	Pasture	Other			
1909	1,275	110,305	87	15	NA	71,048	^{1/}	NA	NA	4,155	^{1/}	NA	35,102	^{1/}
1919	1,531	122,085	80	37	NA	71,705	^{1/}	NA	NA	7,856	^{1/}	NA	42,524	^{1/}
1924	1,388	109,474	79	26	30,114	11,262	19,285	7,668	12,237	6,931	21,977			
1929	1,210	121,336	100	23	31,530	13,563	24,275	4,927	14,958	7,715	24,368			
1934	1,253	121,884	97	14	29,121	4,316	32,174	5,924	13,024	10,351	26,974			
1939	914	108,308	119	20	28,601	4,410	31,360	NA	NA	NA	NA			
1944	754	87,260	116	24	24,461	8,377	25,832	9,297	4,996	5,769	8,528			
1949	860	108,793	127	49	30,543	5,300	29,017	4,215	7,533	9,600	22,585			
1954	695	94,128	135	59	27,339	4,390	25,428	7,934	3,991	13,686	11,360			
1959	644	90,839	141	88	24,627	6,105	32,052	1,305	4,590	7,499	14,661			
1964	398	62,756	158	128	12,955	6,723	14,431	9,758	3,068	5,805	10,016			
1969	390	61,636	158	181	9,803	5,896	19,093	NA	13,120	^{3/}	NA	13,724	^{4/}	
1974	348	56,165	161	339	15,371	2,108	18,797	NA	8,308	^{3/}	NA	11,581	^{4/}	
1978	325	51,665	159	763	19,315	2,107	12,569	2,244	3,539	4,119	7,772			
1982	320	53,430	167	905	21,798	2,157	12,248	4,241	2,302	3,131	7,553			
1987	258	44,702	173	565	12,738	7,241	9,399	2,982	2,149	3,362	6,831			
1992	244	49,509	203	740	14,692	7,368	11,650	1,897	2,345	3,200	8,357			
^{5/} 1997	282	51,579	183	1,204	16,985	7,597	10,060	2,250	2,472	3,368	8,847			
^{5/} 2002	304	56,411	186	1,187	16,919	8,384	10,383	4,893	4,040	2,915	8,877			
^{5/} 2007	270	54,152	201	1,720	20,117	5,965	3,283	10,480	3,327	1,695	9,285			

^{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	53	521	542	146	13	-	NA		1,275	
1919	161	614	612	134	7	3	NA		1,531	
1924	125	545	578	132	7	1	NA		1,388	
1929	89	398	540	171	8	4	NA		1,210	
1934	89	417	567	171	6	3	NA		1,253	
1939	37	237	483	145	10	2	NA		914	
1944	32	141	458	115	6	2	NA		754	
1949	44	183	452	170	7	4	NA		860	
1954	42	120	371	147	12	3	NA		695	
1959	33	86	374	135	13	3	NA		644	
1964	6	53	224	108	5	1		1	398	
1969	31	59	190	94	12	2		2	390	
1974	7	60	187	78	10	5		1	348	
1978	22	59	168	58	12	4		2	325	
1982	27	59	151	60	16	5		2	320	
1987	23	36	123	63	8	2		3	258	
1992	21	39	111	56	9	6		2	244	
^{3/} 1997	13	53	144	52	13	4		3	282	
^{3/} 2002	5	66	165	49	10	5		4	304	
^{3/} 2007	2	62	146	43	9	3		5	270	

^{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	5,100	6,464	4,241	6,091	6,229	4,704	6,668
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse ^{1/}	2,367	3,516	1,968	3,849	4,107	2,967	5,252
Grains, oilseeds.....	1,420	2,118	827	1,408	NA	1,752	3,775
Tobacco.....	878	1,284	791	2,243	1,744	904	1,199
Hay and other crops.....	D	70	73	184	NA	165	222
b. Livestock, poultry and their products ^{2/}	2,733	2,948	2,273	2,242	2,122	1,737	1,416
Poultry and eggs.....	D	D	D	D	D	2	7
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	287	D	D	140	187	154	(D)
Cattle & Calves.....	1,622	1,306	1,252	1,230	1,370	1,257	1,363
Hogs & Pigs.....	791	1,357	781	859	537	(D)	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	35,061	NA	23,050	15,094	NA	17,727
1944	NA	110,993	NA	50,851	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	141,360	162,928	86,755	62,689	55,910	NA
1954	NA	179,620	NA	59,085	90,131	NA	131,843
1959	NA	197,533	78,853	72,127	91,117	22,755	NA
1964	NA	342,925	122,785	78,436	113,045	48,347	114,495
1969	1,944,000	410,921	306,424	176,249	115,005	44,907	121,255
1974	2,392,000	492,000	236,000	201,000	189,000	97,000	404,000
1978	NA	576,000	384,000	256,000	373,000	158,000	740,000
1982	NA	579,000	306,000	278,000	584,000	157,000	744,000
1987	3,368,000	539,000	242,000	351,000	319,000	164,000	582,000
1992	4,277,000	478,000	323,000	327,000	374,000	231,000	801,000
^{2/} 1997	5,038,000	582,000	129,000	539,000	297,000 ^{3/}	344,000	958,000 ^{4/}
^{2/} 2002	5,042,000	624,000	121,000	283,000	408,000	362,000	645,000
^{2/} 2007	6,362,000	347,000	124,000	719,000	628,000	401,000	1,420,000

^{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.....	96	98	94	138	106
Other.....	162	146	188	166	164
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	2	7	6	2	2
25 to 34 Years.....	26	20	21	16	5
35 to 44 Years.....	44	38	52	31	30
45 to 54 Years.....	51	51	58	58	51
55 to 64 Years.....	52	53	66	99	73
65 and over.....	83	75	79	98	109
Average Age.....	54.9	54.9	55.4	58.3	60.4

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



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