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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	1,714	151,884	89	56	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	2,065	147,892	72	129	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	1,826	153,325	84	75	46,849	2,954	76,468	14,486	9,231	1,879	1,458
1929	1,850	154,738	84	76	50,325	2,554	79,195	7,954	6,698	6,457	1,555
1934	2,117	154,385	73	58	45,639	1,944	89,470	NA	9,529	NA	7,803
1939	1,932	148,382	77	78	42,173	2,896	88,937	NA	10,703	NA	3,673
1944	1,969	149,164	76	107	46,448	4,308	59,364	27,304	9,002	1,858	880
1949	1,934	158,070	82	155	45,897	1,771	57,520	37,041	7,950	5,067	2,824
1954	1,823	151,547	83	199	39,014	3,388	55,122	38,778	4,870	7,560	2,815
1959	1,387	151,829	109	229	35,426	3,180	56,817	39,336	6,975	6,731	3,364
1964	1,342	157,556	117	290	33,614	5,119	68,308	34,876	7,869	5,339	2,420
1969	1,313	148,917	113	331	29,164	6,483	69,651	NA	33,012 ^{3/}	NA	10,607 ^{4/}
1974	1,071	135,185	126	518	29,474	4,094	63,553	NA	29,406 ^{3/}	NA	8,658 ^{4/}
1978	1,169	138,807	119	999	34,266	5,912	60,609	18,033	7,788	7,532	4,667
1982	1,209	145,660	120	1,366	39,661	7,747	56,809	20,449	5,781	7,598	7,615
1987	1,106	144,404	131	1,179	39,744	8,634	52,800	21,520	6,924	7,547	7,235
1992	1,085	133,173	123	1,400	36,717	6,889	54,833	16,731	6,033	5,888	6,082
^{5/} 1997	1,079	129,979	120	1,913	38,720	6,176	48,772	16,566	6,727	5,830	7,188
^{5/} 2002	1,086	133,692	123	2,852	42,663	5,173	38,424	27,300	7,265	5,235	7,632
^{5/} 2007	1,111	141,437	127	3,421	45,436	4,941	24,526	45,355	6,300	5,655	9,224

^{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	138	600	759	199	17	1	NA	1,714	
1919	246	815	834	161	9	-	NA	2,065	
1924	180	598	848	191	8	1	NA	1,826	
1929	119	650	888	182	10	1	NA	1,850	
1934	330	725	888	163	10	1	NA	2,117	
1939	250	626	887	165	3	1	NA	1,932	
1944	367	572	863	158	6	3	NA	1,969	
1949	321	532	911	155	11	4	NA	1,934	
1954	309	492	846	164	7	5	NA	1,823	
1959	169	313	676	209	17	3	NA	1,387	
1964	150	304	645	219	15	8	1	1,342	
1969	167	305	588	231	16	5	1	1,313	
1974	100	230	523	194	15	7	2	1,071	
1978	133	299	515	198	18	4	2	1,169	
1982	152	313	522	195	18	5	4	1,209	
1987	107	296	471	204	19	4	5	1,106	
1992	105	320	446	183	25	2	4	1,085	
^{3/} 1997	88	353	453	155	21	5	4	1,079	
^{3/} 2002	56	389	435	173	23	7	3	1,086	
^{3/} 2007	63	416	420	163	38	7	4	1,111	

^{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	22,508	31,118	27,228	35,662	30,858	28,900	43,179
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse ^{1/}	8,704	14,273	9,013	16,199	14,967	8,946	5,333
Grains, oilseeds.....	534	1,448	925	1,031	NA	366	160
Tobacco.....	7,664	12,350	7,300	13,776	12,795	6,099	3,059
Hay and other crops.....	342	372	630	1,011	NA	1,559	1,475
b. Livestock, poultry and their products ^{2/}	13,804	16,846	18,215	19,463	15,891	19,954	37,845
Poultry and eggs.....	2	2	D	28	7	32	38
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	5,023	7,101	5,475	5,763	4,147	3,500	2,998
Cattle & Calves.....	6,698	7,165	9,817	11,621	10,407	12,108	28,205
Hogs & Pigs.....	860	1,064	497	249	17	10	73

^{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	87,654	NA	161,286	36,812	NA	23,714
1944	NA	382,232	NA	512,426	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	471,985	1,080,350	609,581	174,655	171,415	NA
1954	NA	659,756	NA	506,022	265,635	NA	230,759
1959	NA	732,682	626,500	722,067	295,831	74,544	NA
1964	NA	780,395	883,905	688,845	361,355	89,516	309,065
1969	7,241,000	1,056,518	1,763,041	853,694	421,417	99,170	453,193
1974	9,152,000	1,679,000	1,621,000	884,000	NA	136,000	828,000
1978	NA	2,469,000	3,189,000	1,661,000	1,277,000	328,000	1,214,000
1982	NA	3,494,000	3,185,000	2,310,000	2,001,000	358,000	1,099,000
1987	20,786,000	2,922,000	4,150,000	2,128,000	1,532,000	419,000	1,601,000
1992	26,598,000	3,928,000	6,277,000	2,979,000	1,562,000	513,000	1,549,000
^{2/} 1997	23,908,000	3,452,000	3,443,000	2,604,000	1,316,000 ^{3/}	777,000	1,524,000 ^{4/}
^{2/} 2002	25,828,000	2,611,000	4,288,000	2,772,000	1,619,000	366,000	1,686,000
^{2/} 2007	45,308,000	5,808,000	14,197,000	3,764,000	3,239,000	548,000	1,679,000

^{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.....	501	498	413	589	459
Other.....	605	587	666	497	652
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	24	7	15	5	11
25 to 34 Years.....	127	114	102	45	46
35 to 44 Years.....	216	228	212	213	161
45 to 54 Years.....	255	272	305	295	277
55 to 64 Years.....	238	237	212	274	328
65 and over.....	246	227	233	254	288
Average Age.....	52.1	52.5	52.6	54.4	55.8

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



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