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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	2,569	210,597	82	11	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	2,889	220,786	76	19	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	2,686	186,941	70	22	37,459	13,346	44,510	7,076	11,321	24,094	49,135
1929	2,633	209,463	80	20	42,162	13,957	43,729	20,356	13,020	20,320	55,919
1934	3,190	208,429	65	15	39,766	14,685	52,554	10,828	18,687	9,888	62,021
1939	3,008	215,970	72	17	36,244	9,050	77,575	NA	NA	NA	NA
1944	2,441	191,441	78	23	28,826	1,850	59,833	27,473	4,374	7,451	61,634
1949	2,210	180,570	82	41	23,939	9,716	43,847	25,213	7,937	17,539	52,379
1954	2,074	176,886	85	57	21,942	17,856	34,209	19,263	4,130	23,104	56,382
1959	1,586	174,122	110	69	17,701	19,591	26,124	23,079	6,131	12,261	69,235
1964	1,376	163,005	119	90	12,085	11,837	23,484	14,921	4,441	14,797	81,343
1969	1,160	144,132	124	153	8,923	9,590	29,072	NA	28,298 ^{3/}	NA	68,249 ^{4/}
1974	861	112,898	131	230	8,467	5,521	23,236	NA	20,368 ^{3/}	NA	55,306 ^{4/}
1978	929	121,308	131	719	8,638	11,845	19,245	7,644	7,893	14,571	51,472
1982	899	116,238	129	662	9,629	6,233	20,757	7,551	8,152	13,407	50,509
1987	816	106,242	130	510	10,247	9,163	18,997	7,084	10,371	12,135	38,245
1992	786	105,068	134	577	11,497	8,618	19,646	5,379	5,018	14,506	40,404
^{5/} 1997	754	114,744	152	617	12,212	7,497	21,789	12,438	7,520	10,336	42,952
^{5/} 2002	804	115,559	144	969	13,921	5,934	18,520	11,306	7,689	12,388	45,801
^{5/} 2007	795	136,303	171	1,622	20,255	7,979	13,021	28,556	10,582	10,228	45,682

^{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	206	768	1,335	242	17	1	NA	1	NA	2,569
1919	187	927	1,555	209	9	2	NA	2	NA	2,889
1924	270	863	1,392	154	7	-	NA	-	NA	2,686
1929	152	784	1,499	189	6	3	NA	3	NA	2,633
1934	284	1,172	1,592	138	3	1	NA	1	NA	3,190
1939	192	1,103	1,534	165	10	4	NA	4	NA	3,008
1944	161	705	1,394	174	6	1	NA	1	NA	2,441
1949	133	614	1,283	172	8	-	NA	-	NA	2,210
1954	235	575	1,064	188	8	4	NA	4	NA	2,074
1959	100	349	888	222	19	8	NA	8	NA	1,586
1964	140	274	708	223	26	3	2	3	2	1,376
1969	112	250	551	214	27	6	-	6	-	1,160
1974	100	137	448	143	27	4	2	4	2	861
1978	153	174	383	188	23	6	2	6	2	929
1982	132	170	410	149	31	7	-	7	-	899
1987	140	168	317	150	38	3	-	3	-	816
1992	132	141	313	163	35	2	-	2	-	786
^{3/} 1997	87	148	304	175	36	4	-	4	-	754
^{3/} 2002	57	148	388	176	31	4	-	4	-	804
^{3/} 2007	43	145	369	181	46	9	2	9	2	795

^{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	5,662	8,086	5,969	9,336	9,727	7,642	6,770
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse ^{1/}	4,254	6,409	3,840	7,095	7,347	4,194	3,186
Grains, oilseeds.....	127	214	188	138	NA	(D)	111
Tobacco.....	3,968	6,072	3,470	6,594	6,752	3,618	(D)
Hay and other crops.....	112	89	132	274	NA	436	1,298
b. Livestock, poultry and their products ^{2/}	1,408	1,676	2,129	2,241	2,380	3,449	3,584
Poultry and eggs.....	D	1	NA	10	D	(D)	22
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	151	D	107	193	347	150	242
Cattle & Calves.....	1,100	1,384	1,919	2,004	1,977	3,045	3,140
Hogs & Pigs.....	83	89	63	13	8	(D)	2

^{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	52,535	NA	23,372	11,882	NA	41,690
1944	NA	111,841	NA	71,845	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	184,215	74,085	87,335	14,655	64,240	NA
1954	NA	182,540	NA	169,265	43,665	NA	240,525
1959	NA	152,360	109,640	95,510	102,185	23,860	NA
1964	NA	278,325	148,665	150,265	114,075	47,075	244,185
1969	1,856,000	216,017	188,803	256,971	166,812	32,703	301,644
1974	2,080,000	298,000	221,000	206,000	NA	43,000	400,000
1978	NA	221,000	314,000	390,000	383,000	62,000	493,000
1982	NA	226,000	303,000	939,000	741,000	83,000	334,000
1987	4,117,000	151,000	662,000	424,000	347,000	79,000	488,000
1992	5,411,000	310,000	544,000	561,000	558,000	176,000	865,000
^{2/} 1997	5,736,000	335,000	421,000	974,000	463,000 ^{3/}	179,000	694,000 ^{4/}
^{2/} 2002	6,375,000	487,000	686,000	536,000	696,000	126,000	507,000
^{2/} 2007	8,586,000	1,006,000	452,000	758,000	1,225,000	221,000	975,000

^{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.....	328	305	254	406	256
Other.....	488	481	500	398	539
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	18	14	10	9	10
25 to 34 Years.....	121	67	94	85	50
35 to 44 Years.....	193	209	167	161	123
45 to 54 Years.....	156	172	208	230	202
55 to 64 Years.....	155	149	123	166	251
65 and over.....	173	175	152	153	159
Average Age.....	50.6	51.9	50.7	51.6	54.1

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



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