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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 <sup>1/</sup>

Year	Number of Farms	Land in Farms (Acres)	Avg Size of Farm	Avg Value of Land & Buildings per Acre (Dollars)	Land Use (Acres)							
					Cropland			Other		Woodland		
					Harvested	Not Harvested	Pasture <sup>2/</sup>	Pasture <sup>2/</sup>	Other Land	Pasture	Other	
1909	2,851	245,210	86	16	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	2,836	231,620	82	32	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	2,721	206,787	76	24	57,620	23,750	19,108	14,145	40,068	8,264	43,832	
1929	2,469	193,010	78	23	56,809	19,783	26,287	10,541	31,422	12,416	35,752	
1934	3,232	226,182	70	15	68,227	14,446	29,370	12,800	44,522	12,647	44,170	
1939	2,868	220,450	77	17	61,774	21,853	27,909	NA	NA	NA	NA	
1944	2,428	221,662	91	25	72,955	32,838	25,974	19,872	12,162	10,370	47,491	
1949	2,047	195,644	96	40	55,657	25,933	25,797	10,193	23,846	11,418	42,820	
1954	1,413	182,707	129	57	54,952	14,281	27,355	10,052	25,483	13,708	36,876	
1959	1,226	155,350	127	76	45,853	19,473	28,550	6,430	15,300	7,975	31,769	
1964	979	140,684	144	120	37,595	20,595	26,232	11,076	8,937	9,530	26,711	
1969	852	130,360	153	165	30,021	18,783	25,914	NA	19,978 <sup>3/</sup>	NA	35,664 <sup>4/</sup>	
1974	736	114,736	156	298	35,044	5,678	26,908	NA	17,029 <sup>3/</sup>	NA	30,077 <sup>4/</sup>	
1978	769	122,786	160	626	47,295	6,097	21,073	10,125	8,591	8,548	21,057	
1982	714	113,885	160	1,026	47,978	4,395	18,002	6,157	6,197	8,333	22,823	
1987	615	118,240	192	662	45,082	11,011	17,474	5,957	6,730	9,483	22,503	
1992	603	117,868	195	745	45,345	8,688	19,734	6,489	5,156	6,017	26,439	
<sup>5/</sup> 1997	635	122,557	193	1,114	46,001	7,304	22,803	7,865	9,238	6,363	22,983	
<sup>5/</sup> 2002	667	138,376	207	1,261	54,875	12,799	17,011	14,403	8,419	7,860	23,009	
<sup>5/</sup> 2007	636	140,834	221	1,977	55,467	10,537	8,479	19,887	8,745	7,138	30,581	

<sup>1/</sup>Due to changes in the definition of a farm, Farm Numbers and Land in Farms are not always comparable from Census to Census. <sup>2/</sup>Due to changes in definition and wording of question, figures for Cropland Pasture and Other Pasture are not always comparable from Census to Census. <sup>3/</sup>Includes Other Pasture. <sup>4/</sup>Includes Woodland Pasture. <sup>5/</sup>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 <sup>2/</sup>	2000+	
1909	157	1,042	1,381	246	20	5	NA	5	NA	2,851
1919	176	960	1,450	234	11	5	NA	5	NA	2,836
1924	272	923	1,313	194	17	2	NA	2	NA	2,721
1929	175	856	1,235	184	18	1	NA	1	NA	2,469
1934	390	1,253	1,372	195	18	4	NA	4	NA	3,232
1939	419	914	1,313	198	16	8	NA	8	NA	2,868
1944	357	667	1,131	236	25	12	NA	12	NA	2,428
1949	200	616	999	202	19	11	NA	11	NA	2,047
1954	82	376	718	201	27	9	NA	9	NA	1,413
1959	60	324	598	212	22	9	1	9	1	1,226
1964	41	261	465	171	30	10	1	10	1	979
1969	46	178	428	158	33	9	-	9	-	852
1974	38	133	365	162	32	5	1	5	1	736
1978	57	155	359	145	44	8	1	8	1	769
1982	66	166	284	158	30	9	1	9	1	714
1987	48	133	254	123	37	17	3	17	3	615
1992	40	115	273	127	25	20	3	20	3	603
<sup>3/</sup> 1997	34	140	295	113	31	16	6	16	6	635
<sup>3/</sup> 2002	19	170	305	119	28	21	5	21	5	667
<sup>3/</sup> 2007	18	144	300	119	30	19	6	19	6	636

<sup>1/</sup>1909-1929. <sup>2/</sup>1909-1959. <sup>3/</sup>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 <sup>3/</sup>	2002 <sup>3/</sup>	2007 <sup>3/</sup>
(Thousand Dollars)							
Value of sales	15,158	15,871	15,487	24,823	34,065	41,806	49,182
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse <sup>1/</sup>	7,901	8,389	7,090	10,404	9,618	9,206	15,121
Grains, oilseeds.....	5,187	5,709	4,869	6,497	NA	5,070	11,392
Tobacco.....	2,459	2,429	1,841	3,327	2,990	(D)	(D)
Hay and other crops.....	201	164	290	358	NA	(D)	(D)
b. Livestock, poultry and their products <sup>2/</sup>	7,258	7,482	8,397	14,419	24,447	32,600	34,060
Poultry and eggs.....	D	D	D	D	D	(D)	25,740
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	222	344	407	308	129	265	(D)
Cattle & Calves.....	1,965	1,611	2,219	2,320	2,624	3,648	(D)
Hogs & Pigs.....	1,522	1,129	935	1,284	D	(D)	(D)

<sup>1/</sup>Includes a value of crops not listed. <sup>2/</sup>Includes values of other livestock and livestock products not listed. <sup>3/</sup>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 <sup>1/</sup>
(Dollars)							
1939	NA	64,556	NA	39,836	17,634	NA	38,319
1944	NA	321,567	NA	178,599	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	255,952	427,487	209,656	128,982	79,162	NA
1954	NA	390,510	NA	265,928	217,265	NA	318,928
1959	NA	338,485	172,824	158,085	224,177	76,952	NA
1964	NA	302,655	162,245	118,225	247,795	98,416	323,157
1969	3,512,000	839,454	407,613	234,677	239,139	98,366	419,578
1974	5,880,000	1,743,000	524,000	340,000	339,000	196,000	928,000
1978	NA	2,285,000	460,000	783,000	864,000	373,000	1,565,000
1982	NA	3,105,000	904,000	882,000	1,358,000	399,000	1,877,000
1987	12,248,000	2,954,000	699,000	1,512,000	944,000	442,000	1,894,000
1992	19,083,000	7,348,000	816,000	1,851,000	1,279,000	897,000	2,352,000
<sup>2/</sup> 1997	20,622,000	9,579,000	1,305,000	1,854,000	786,000 <sup>3/</sup>	575,000	1,896,000 <sup>4/</sup>
<sup>2/</sup> 2002	32,334,000	13,214,000	2,317,000	2,487,000	1,954,000	1,160,000	3,084,000
<sup>2/</sup> 2007	35,965,000	12,153,000	2,800,000	2,059,000	2,385,000	1,492,000	4,813,000

<sup>1/</sup>1987 - 2007 includes cost of custom applications. <sup>2/</sup>1997-2007 data adjusted for coverage. <sup>3/</sup>1997 does not include utilities. <sup>4/</sup>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 <sup>1/</sup>	2002 <sup>1/</sup>	2007 <sup>1/</sup>
Principal occupation					
Farming.....	241	268	232	361	263
Other.....	374	335	403	306	373
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	8	12	10	17	2
25 to 34 Years.....	65	59	45	30	44
35 to 44 Years.....	115	94	121	89	68
45 to 54 Years.....	155	130	154	168	148
55 to 64 Years.....	142	152	146	175	166
65 and over.....	130	156	159	188	208
Average Age.....	52.4	53.8	53.9	55.4	57.3

<sup>1/</sup>1997-2007 data adjusted for coverage.



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