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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	873	106,214	122	42	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	1,086	114,794	106	97	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	998	108,305	108	74	32,699	5,477	33,954	12,752	8,189	11,176	4,058
1929	783	108,831	139	68	36,377	4,219	27,786	15,516	5,063	16,575	3,295
1934	922	107,817	116	55	36,119	4,490	27,541	11,529	4,927	17,149	6,062
1939	802	114,377	143	57	38,824	4,090	45,309	NA	NA	NA	NA
1944	915	120,873	132	71	46,346	2,080	10,106	47,292	5,803	4,901	4,345
1949	769	108,572	141	135	38,210	2,722	27,973	15,840	5,312	12,760	5,755
1954	656	102,974	157	157	34,898	1,443	18,373	21,917	4,124	17,239	4,980
1959	524	103,926	198	214	33,001	4,804	24,558	20,748	4,739	11,758	4,318
1964	492	108,875	221	269	29,186	5,542	22,050	23,056	4,603	13,851	10,587
1969	520	107,356	206	532	24,261	6,005	29,085	NA	27,338 ^{3/}	NA	20,667 ^{4/}
1974	399	93,470	234	821	25,939	2,529	25,847	NA	23,946 ^{3/}	NA	15,209 ^{4/}
1978	450	91,022	202	1,516	26,843	4,155	25,660	9,474	6,204	7,650	11,036
1982	496	83,843	169	1,830	29,576	2,651	19,590	11,748	6,357	6,339	7,582
1987	479	81,450	170	2,224	23,226	6,745	20,879	11,783	5,541	4,438	8,838
1992	468	84,434	180	2,572	24,537	8,691	21,567	8,413	4,388	5,969	10,869
^{5/} 1997	449	74,265	165	3,100	24,636	4,093	19,355	7,490	4,615	4,553	9,523
^{5/} 2002	481	62,561	130	4,562	20,830	3,419	10,955	10,659	4,469	2,817	9,412
^{5/} 2007	461	60,024	130	6,111	20,026	1,928	7,060	14,186	4,406	2,155	10,263

^{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	64	242	367	178	21	1	NA	873	
1919	146	306	425	190	18	1	NA	1,086	
1924	154	256	387	181	19	1	NA	998	
1929	36	170	375	186	13	3	NA	783	
1934	148	211	377	167	15	4	NA	922	
1939	64	159	381	174	21	3	NA	802	
1944	148	203	358	177	24	5	NA	915	
1949	98	160	312	168	28	3	NA	769	
1954	89	124	253	158	28	4	NA	656	
1959	30	92	219	141	35	7	NA	524	
1964	27	86	204	133	33	5	4	492	
1969	55	98	200	127	29	7	4	520	
1974	39	77	148	88	35	7	5	399	
1978	55	87	166	97	34	8	3	450	
1982	77	144	153	83	29	8	2	496	
1987	67	139	151	78	33	10	1	479	
1992	63	144	146	64	34	14	3	468	
^{3/} 1997	47	151	146	66	28	10	1	449	
^{3/} 2002	59	197	142	57	17	8	1	481	
^{3/} 2007	64	195	125	47	20	10	-	461	

^{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	14,059	26,827	55,607	17,107	16,778	21,267	19,269
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse ^{1/}	5,680	9,047	5,683	8,248	7,878	8,957	7,569
Grains, oilseeds.....	1,601	2,702	1,637	1,785	NA	1,790	2,673
Tobacco.....	1,732	2,337	1,457	3,018	2,025	727	340
Hay and other crops.....	326	397	506	391	NA	332	654
b. Livestock, poultry and their products ^{2/}	8,379	17,780	49,925	8,859	8,899	12,310	11,700
Poultry and eggs.....	D	D	1	3	8	9	17
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	D	D	2,823	2,586	1,264	(D)	1,062
Cattle & Calves.....	2,604	5,261	2,862	2,977	2,313	1,844	2,108
Hogs & Pigs.....	653	1,163	D	557	245	(D)	(D)

^{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	117,038	NA	187,906	38,207	NA	61,361
1944	NA	579,451	NA	435,734	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	810,841	445,354	716,708	169,740	142,114	NA
1954	NA	502,820	NA	468,315	179,080	NA	217,675
1959	NA	666,263	267,972	724,058	221,160	188,835	NA
1964	NA	765,655	401,275	735,315	329,405	143,095	357,675
1969	5,515,000	892,596	830,323	969,311	260,495	172,125	317,315
1974	7,831,000	1,340,000	882,000	1,312,000	NA	396,000	826,000
1978	NA	1,421,000	986,000	1,777,000	1,005,000	717,000	946,000
1982	NA	1,715,000	2,222,000	2,706,000	1,500,000	775,000	1,325,000
1987	19,626,000	1,717,000	3,505,000	2,533,000	1,082,000	380,000	981,000
1992	13,925,000	1,545,000	1,155,000	2,359,000	1,247,000	503,000	1,316,000
^{2/} 1997	15,575,000	1,673,000	2,360,000	2,692,000	860,000 ^{3/}	571,000	1,384,000 ^{4/}
^{2/} 2002	24,897,000	1,709,000	1,493,000	5,937,000	1,573,000	1,027,000	1,437,000
^{2/} 2007	20,602,000	1,949,000	1,492,000	3,785,000	2,123,000	1,146,000	1,645,000

^{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.....	227	188	178	247	176
Other.....	252	280	271	234	285
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	4	2	1	-	2
25 to 34 Years.....	38	18	15	6	9
35 to 44 Years.....	91	100	69	67	33
45 to 54 Years.....	128	147	142	145	132
55 to 64 Years.....	81	84	119	157	159
65 and over.....	137	117	103	106	126
Average Age.....	54	54.4	55.6	56.9	58.2

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



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