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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 (Acres)						
					Cropland			Other		Woodland	
					Harvested	Not Harvested	Pasture ^{2/}	Pasture ^{2/}	Other Land	Pasture	Other
1909	1,408	110,308	78	9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	1,331	110,567	83	18	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	1,356	97,520	72	15	21,630	13,714	17,329	6,386	10,060	10,269	18,132
1929	1,351	107,400	80	19	21,311	4,465	21,536	11,173	9,631	13,980	25,304
1934	1,591	102,580	65	14	21,144	7,930	21,368	2,290	4,092	5,200	40,556
1939	1,713	99,077	58	18	19,541	4,528	29,904	NA	NA	NA	NA
1944	1,353	89,462	66	22	16,084	235	27,697	12,265	2,127	839	30,215
1949	1,333	92,859	70	43	13,684	4,368	25,207	4,509	3,815	9,536	31,740
1954	1,052	83,018	79	59	9,406	9,549	17,152	1,924	1,634	13,054	30,299
1959	807	71,278	88	72	6,549	12,773	10,684	2,282	3,729	7,515	27,746
1964	843	70,594	84	98	4,608	9,998	4,711	3,990	7,354	8,102	31,791
1969	687	62,264	91	142	2,575	8,585	8,312	NA	11,727 ^{3/}	NA	31,065 ^{4/}
1974	382	38,508	101	251	2,249	3,299	4,069	NA	7,725 ^{3/}	NA	21,166 ^{4/}
1978	416	39,344	95	411	3,181	4,515	3,610	4,064	4,230	3,239	16,505
1982	399	38,331	96	680	3,337	4,194	3,055	1,763	4,594	4,603	16,785
1987	351	34,811	99	544	2,312	4,656	3,719	2,775	3,467	4,133	13,749
1992	328	35,712	109	754	2,866	5,181	3,566	3,389	1,750	2,704	16,256
^{5/} 1997	260	31,588	121	1,169	2,957	3,252	2,700	1,219	2,357	3,108	15,995
^{5/} 2002	227	32,996	145	1,319	3,135	2,566	2,979	2,829	2,431	3,199	15,857
^{5/} 2007	195	35,857	184	1,491	4,840	2,111	2,938	4,973	2,966	3,547	14,482

^{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	191	492	570	143	11	1	NA	1,408	
1919	84	443	658	140	4	2	NA	1,331	
1924	97	516	637	98	7	1	NA	1,356	
1929	62	497	665	121	5	1	NA	1,351	
1934	220	656	622	78	13	2	NA	1,591	
1939	273	717	634	84	4	1	NA	1,713	
1944	122	506	649	75	1	-	NA	1,353	
1949	104	501	651	71	6	-	NA	1,333	
1954	111	324	535	73	8	1	NA	1,052	
1959	38	242	450	69	8	-	NA	807	
1964	88	255	418	74	7	1	-	843	
1969	63	223	318	74	8	1	-	687	
1974	46	105	167	61	2	1	-	382	
1978	66	102	196	45	7	-	-	416	
1982	66	113	165	46	8	-	1	399	
1987	60	107	134	39	10	1	-	351	
1992	52	93	124	51	7	1	-	328	
^{3/} 1997	44	57	105	46	7	1	-	260	
^{3/} 2002	29	27	119	42	6	4	-	227	
^{3/} 2007	10	32	95	39	12	7	-	195	

^{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	1,967	2,905	1,766	3,296	2,769	1,710	1,221
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse ^{1/}	1,703	2,660	1,501	2,998	2,561	1,420	838
Grains, oilseeds.....	117	127	34	21	NA	(D)	36
Tobacco.....	1,548	2,442	1,373	2,869	2,416	1,348	481
Hay and other crops.....	30	51	23	48	NA	38	206
b. Livestock, poultry and their products ^{2/}	264	244	265	298	207	289	383
Poultry and eggs.....	D	NA	NA	NA	D	(D)	8
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	D	-	-	60	-	-	(D)
Cattle & Calves.....	158	137	170	212	193	222	267
Hogs & Pigs.....	98	104	84	21	D	39	-

^{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	15,406	NA	7,005	5,527	NA	13,595
1944	NA	55,973	NA	14,347	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	48,380	28,905	31,170	24,245	19,210	NA
1954	NA	49,405	NA	41,465	24,980	NA	68,715
1959	NA	32,285	26,556	21,785	17,130	15,455	NA
1964	NA	22,242	4,270	39,446	36,410	17,251	102,735
1969	561,000	74,093	52,526	87,188	60,348	10,857	92,578
1974	479,000	81,000	40,000	44,000	NA	10,000	98,000
1978	NA	107,000	74,000	174,000	302,000	34,000	270,000
1982	NA	42,000	51,000	273,000	212,000	60,000	123,000
1987	1,094,000	32,000	7,000	137,000	142,000	40,000	224,000
1992	1,801,000	180,000	95,000	301,000	187,000	28,000	217,000
^{2/} 1997	1,580,000	20,000	37,000	314,000	143,000 ^{3/}	63,000	256,000 ^{4/}
^{2/} 2002	2,081,000	55,000	38,000	257,000	189,000	77,000	334,000
^{2/} 2007	2,008,000	183,000	39,000	172,000	307,000	72,000	270,000

^{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.....	136	150	104	116	62
Other.....	215	178	156	111	133
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	4	6	5	3	-
25 to 34 Years.....	42	32	33	17	10
35 to 44 Years.....	71	75	64	44	28
45 to 54 Years.....	85	76	51	73	62
55 to 64 Years.....	78	54	49	56	55
65 and over.....	71	85	58	34	40
Average Age.....	51.5	52.8	51.7	52.2	54.5

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



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