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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	862	60,525	70	41	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	992	60,443	61	101	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	819	60,288	74	52	10,978	330	39,919	903	1,757	5,304	1,097
1929	826	60,952	74	60	10,959	1,376	32,708	10,052	2,781	2,377	699
1934	895	60,588	68	43	10,480	1,050	20,759	11,166	2,920	13,288	925
1939	737	58,230	79	53	9,588	1,204	37,233	NA	NA	NA	NA
1944	665	57,059	86	61	10,221	1,150	12,987	25,511	2,668	3,215	1,307
1949	572	54,407	95	86	9,305	2,953	22,132	6,359	2,942	6,674	4,042
1954	659	58,093	88	104	8,540	3,645	7,213	21,596	3,184	11,213	2,702
1959	503	56,789	113	105	7,146	2,264	21,253	14,323	4,643	4,022	3,138
1964	461	55,319	120	125	5,986	3,244	22,236	16,599	4,080	2,185	989
1969	405	55,797	138	175	5,401	4,638	23,677	NA	10,184 ^{3/}	NA	11,897 ^{4/}
1974	331	52,096	157	220	5,868	4,345	21,082	NA	13,299 ^{3/}	NA	7,502 ^{4/}
1978	357	51,994	146	477	6,536	6,287	21,561	5,279	2,943	4,397	4,991
1982	336	52,275	156	559	8,133	2,585	18,814	5,903	3,518	6,713	6,609
1987	316	51,018	161	526	8,211	5,409	18,309	5,678	3,127	4,471	5,813
1992	315	53,022	168	672	10,372	3,825	18,831	5,798	2,712	4,082	7,402
^{5/} 1997	290	48,089	166	744	9,043	3,935	13,006	7,275	2,784	2,394	9,652
^{5/} 2002	247	43,061	174	1,073	8,775	3,645	7,880	9,647	2,391	2,961	7,762
^{5/} 2007	289	51,468	178	1,783	12,203	4,554	4,950	12,954	3,312	2,956	10,539

^{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	84	334	375	67	2	-	NA	862	
1919	140	411	381	58	2	-	NA	992	
1924	85	253	421	57	3	-	NA	819	
1929	93	282	380	67	4	-	NA	826	
1934	158	279	393	61	4	-	NA	895	
1939	88	223	360	63	3	-	NA	737	
1944	106	153	334	67	4	1	NA	665	
1949	46	116	357	48	5	-	NA	572	
1954	108	142	334	69	6	-	NA	659	
1959	52	62	313	66	10	-	NA	503	
1964	71	47	251	83	9	-	-	461	
1969	40	40	220	95	10	-	-	405	
1974	24	32	178	86	9	2	-	331	
1978	44	34	180	87	10	2	-	357	
1982	45	36	157	84	13	1	-	336	
1987	34	41	145	80	15	1	-	316	
1992	40	34	144	75	20	2	-	315	
^{3/} 1997	24	36	140	75	13	2	-	290	
^{3/} 2002	9	41	115	68	11	3	-	247	
^{3/} 2007	3	48	150	69	15	4	-	289	

^{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	3,955	6,632	4,294	6,818	6,676	2,486	3,826
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse ^{1/}	2,781	5,091	2,606	5,076	5,073	1,573	2,076
Grains, oilseeds.....	D	153	19	27	NA	(D)	(D)
Tobacco.....	2,657	4,836	2,465	4,830	4,800	1,417	1,262
Hay and other crops.....	85	89	114	D	NA	150	567
b. Livestock, poultry and their products ^{2/}	1,173	1,541	1,688	1,743	1,602	913	1,750
Poultry and eggs.....	1	NA	1	D	D	1	6
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	432	598	846	489	352	163	380
Cattle & Calves.....	703	906	835	1,228	834	702	1,325
Hogs & Pigs.....	16	27	D	D	D	1	3

^{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	7,876	NA	12,562	2,180	NA	5,533
1944	NA	106,549	NA	33,826	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	94,549	59,925	47,991	17,455	37,045	NA
1954	NA	120,095	NA	67,335	47,650	NA	92,425
1959	NA	107,710	47,825	61,265	62,430	10,410	NA
1964	NA	118,287	61,165	54,047	81,654	17,699	73,308
1969	1,099,000	139,915	122,887	149,611	101,645	14,388	121,969
1974	1,559,000	240,000	143,000	144,000	NA	21,000	219,000
1978	NA	353,000	127,000	346,000	279,000	39,000	158,000
1982	NA	254,000	195,000	675,000	539,000	92,000	180,000
1987	2,461,000	274,000	119,000	264,000	292,000	39,000	287,000
1992	4,499,000	422,000	156,000	572,000	479,000	58,000	576,000
^{2/} 1997	3,828,000	372,000	216,000	364,000	252,000 ^{3/}	162,000	282,000 ^{4/}
^{2/} 2002	2,649,000	347,000	78,000	220,000	286,000	37,000	235,000
^{2/} 2007	4,108,000	436,000	249,000	289,000	531,000	107,000	340,000

^{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.....	183	168	140	136	117
Other.....	133	147	150	111	172
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	6	7	2	2	-
25 to 34 Years.....	32	44	30	9	11
35 to 44 Years.....	50	68	64	55	37
45 to 54 Years.....	60	66	63	65	68
55 to 64 Years.....	84	56	59	61	84
65 and over.....	84	74	72	55	89
Average Age.....	54.4	51.4	53.1	54.2	57.4

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



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