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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									
					Cropland			Other		Woodland				
					Harvested	Not Harvested	Pasture ^{2/}	Pasture ^{2/}	Other Land	Pasture	Other			
1909	2,229	257,670	116	12	NA	136,260	^{1/}	NA	NA	10,828	^{1/}	NA	110,582	^{1/}
1919	2,628	241,489	92	30	NA	144,672	^{1/}	NA	NA	17,805	^{1/}	NA	79,012	^{1/}
1924	2,372	247,567	104	24	57,702	22,778		56,348	6,571	26,531		10,792	66,845	
1929	2,050	222,770	109	20	54,997	22,284		48,526	9,927	25,248		16,592	45,196	
1934	2,037	232,712	114	14	51,543	19,379		55,828	14,171	17,152		16,121	58,518	
1939	1,609	237,260	148	19	52,706	14,393		65,462	NA	NA		NA	NA	
1944	1,135	180,630	159	28	50,815	11,434		36,792	10,831	10,732		10,603	49,423	
1949	1,236	201,809	163	46	56,463	12,721		42,408	12,049	15,256		14,304	48,608	
1954	1,289	189,138	147	49	52,969	9,205		49,403	9,742	7,825		16,004	43,990	
1959	885	167,590	189	70	42,978	10,760		46,162	9,271	10,287		20,641	27,491	
1964	654	144,345	221	147	30,079	12,143		52,582	3,553	6,186		10,386	29,407	
1969	718	147,170	205	212	30,050	15,500		41,135	NA	16,756	^{3/}	NA	43,729	^{4/}
1974	612	140,402	229	404	41,051	4,065		38,919	NA	18,900	^{3/}	NA	37,467	^{4/}
1978	612	137,889	225	878	55,418	5,409		27,401	8,562	8,788		9,629	22,682	
1982	532	120,597	227	908	53,437	4,051		19,082	10,797	7,242		8,783	17,205	
1987	470	111,362	237	643	40,469	13,517		21,550	7,286	5,031		8,613	14,896	
1992	425	111,866	263	703	42,566	10,891		22,574	7,103	5,161		6,695	16,876	
^{5/} 1997	459	119,843	261	1,326	56,375	5,828		20,874	9,193	5,016		7,361	15,196	
^{5/} 2002	425	122,943	289	1,476	49,643	8,245		17,039	13,298	4,077		5,969	24,672	
^{5/} 2007	458	135,685	296	2,583	57,775	7,743		8,496	23,060	6,194		5,587	26,830	

^{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+	
1919	141	1,091	1,007	365	22	2	NA	2	NA	2,628
1924	140	911	879	406	32	4	NA	4	NA	2,372
1929	82	684	877	380	21	6	NA	6	NA	2,050
1934	164	689	808	337	31	8	NA	8	NA	2,037
1939	65	382	763	355	34	10	NA	10	NA	1,609
1944	56	231	519	281	40	8	NA	8	NA	1,135
1949	67	248	547	315	52	7	NA	7	NA	1,236
1954	153	292	498	286	48	12	NA	12	NA	1,289
1959	51	154	359	259	50	12	NA	12	NA	885
1964	31	75	286	207	41	12	2	12	2	654
1969	64	110	276	216	38	10	4	10	4	718
1974	50	79	250	180	36	12	5	12	5	612
1978	64	107	215	151	56	15	4	15	4	612
1982	66	89	210	113	32	17	5	17	5	532
1987	53	78	181	103	34	15	6	15	6	470
1992	49	60	170	82	38	20	6	20	6	425
^{3/} 1997	25	112	184	86	30	13	9	13	9	459
^{3/} 2002	10	109	181	76	23	15	11	15	11	425
^{3/} 2007	16	118	186	82	34	11	11	11	11	458

^{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	17,444	20,926	14,584	18,637	26,613	19,995	26,960
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse ^{1/}	10,436	13,577	7,788	11,913	17,887	14,311	17,854
Grains, oilseeds.....	5,665	8,395	4,055	6,437	NA	9,501	12,128
Tobacco.....	4,659	5,023	3,630	5,341	6,131	4,519	4,763
Hay and other crops.....	108	150	99	135	NA	155	337
b. Livestock, poultry and their products ^{2/}	7,008	7,349	6,796	6,724	8,727	5,684	9,106
Poultry and eggs.....	1	1	2	D	D	(D)	34
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	297	199	332	D	D	285	690
Cattle & Calves.....	3,340	2,930	2,882	4,001	3,859	4,427	7,873
Hogs & Pigs.....	3,346	4,197	3,552	2,513	4,586	363	161

^{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	45,675	NA	97,574	24,234	NA	51,290
1944	NA	169,496	NA	241,898	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	186,394	650,690	368,476	190,257	98,645	NA
1954	NA	190,500	NA	199,279	248,854	NA	303,508
1959	NA	234,802	252,665	270,549	220,054	42,940	NA
1964	NA	555,875	282,075	374,745	268,935	90,907	446,475
1969	4,983,000	689,466	832,902	636,468	319,291	104,744	518,173
1974	6,909,000	1,122,000	706,000	477,000	473,000	292,000	1,387,000
1978	NA	1,459,000	1,154,000	930,000	891,000	507,000	2,170,000
1982	NA	1,438,000	828,000	1,539,000	1,742,000	737,000	2,785,000
1987	10,676,000	1,291,000	791,000	1,003,000	962,000	523,000	1,846,000
1992	13,679,000	1,585,000	1,582,000	1,397,000	1,029,000	498,000	2,669,000
^{2/} 1997	20,764,000	2,888,000	1,362,000	1,894,000	1,133,000 ^{3/}	1,292,000	4,139,000 ^{4/}
^{2/} 2002	16,675,000	1,169,000	1,566,000	1,802,000	1,225,000	1,026,000	3,218,000
^{2/} 2007	27,566,000	1,880,000	1,592,000	2,382,000	2,559,000	2,040,000	6,304,000

^{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.....	220	203	174	216	215
Other.....	250	222	285	209	243
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	4	14	1	1	-
25 to 34 Years.....	44	27	57	14	13
35 to 44 Years.....	99	74	95	81	65
45 to 54 Years.....	97	106	129	102	129
55 to 64 Years.....	93	94	92	126	122
65 and over.....	133	110	85	101	129
Average Age.....	53.6	53.8	51.3	55.6	56.6

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



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