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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 Pasture		Woodland		
					Harvested	Not Harvested	Pasture ^{2/}	Pasture ^{2/}	Other Land	Pasture	Other	
1909	2,670	317,375	119	11	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	2,448	270,423	111	21	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	2,174	237,740	110	19	44,836	11,933	37,532	5,254	43,206	3,527	91,452	
1929	2,355	239,947	102	18	45,902	14,521	38,852	3,259	16,320	4,030	117,063	
1934	2,837	237,875	84	13	47,649	6,274	43,869	3,192	9,066	6,507	121,318	
1939	2,437	227,389	93	15	49,032	6,612	46,261	NA	NA	NA	NA	
1944	2,222	225,780	102	22	47,464	6,318	31,966	21,123	3,970	6,595	108,344	
1949	2,097	200,326	96	46	41,998	4,823	43,292	5,321	9,240	10,736	84,916	
1954	1,682	177,986	106	46	37,081	5,660	27,080	17,503	4,325	7,980	78,357	
1959	1,749	181,533	104	63	34,668	5,629	29,362	10,430	4,458	4,299	92,687	
1964	1,374	167,195	122	116	28,840	5,944	31,866	8,052	3,728	7,505	81,239	
1969	1,468	181,420	124	169	24,998	13,367	38,146	NA	21,399 ^{3/}	NA	83,510 ^{4/}	
1974	1,105	145,043	131	297	24,055	3,421	32,271	NA	18,043 ^{3/}	NA	67,253 ^{4/}	
1978	1,113	138,616	125	600	27,508	4,652	31,815	6,852	8,677	10,343	48,769	
1982	1,082	140,014	129	704	30,370	4,017	25,776	5,612	9,184	7,067	57,988	
1987	979	136,970	140	585	28,079	5,792	25,401	11,281	6,759	7,543	52,115	
1992	889	135,850	153	624	26,614	4,569	28,420	11,619	4,356	8,862	51,410	
^{5/} 1997	891	136,610	153	883	30,306	3,463	27,547	10,070	6,670	8,131	50,423	
^{5/} 2002	860	139,311	162	2,216	30,653	3,074	25,261	16,587	7,173	9,665	46,898	
^{5/} 2007	781	142,827	183	2,044	36,029	2,930	9,587	25,682	5,877	7,266	55,456	

^{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	326	790	1,009	447	76	22	NA	2,670	
1919	250	804	961	359	60	14	NA	2,448	
1924	213	666	920	322	41	12	NA	2,174	
1929	219	817	953	306	46	14	NA	2,355	
1934	464	1,043	1,022	254	41	13	NA	2,837	
1939	332	823	962	270	37	13	NA	2,437	
1944	228	660	994	294	33	13	NA	2,222	
1949	238	702	862	259	29	7	NA	2,097	
1954	195	516	711	221	30	9	NA	1,682	
1959	271	476	722	241	32	7	NA	1,749	
1964	220	329	576	205	33	9	2	1,374	
1969	228	360	600	232	29	16	3	1,468	
1974	125	294	449	198	28	8	3	1,105	
1978	167	269	429	213	29	5	1	1,113	
1982	146	275	420	195	38	7	1	1,082	
1987	130	260	353	190	37	5	4	979	
1992	124	225	329	161	38	6	6	889	
^{3/} 1997	95	245	345	152	40	10	4	891	
^{3/} 2002	94	210	335	161	46	11	3	860	
^{3/} 2007	56	192	324	147	39	17	6	781	

^{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	13,511	17,886	15,779	23,018	50,571	43,789	68,457
a. Crops, including nursery and greenhouse ^{1/}	5,450	7,698	5,187	7,658	9,367	5,686	6,077
Grains, oilseeds.....	1,795	2,835	1,605	1,889	NA	2,132	3,868
Tobacco.....	3,129	4,550	3,148	5,094	5,490	2,429	1,133
Hay and other crops.....	190	205	207	387	NA	454	628
b. Livestock, poultry and their products ^{2/}	8,061	10,188	10,592	15,360	41,204	38,103	62,380
Poultry and eggs.....	283	D	2	D	D	29,228	49,603
Milk and Other Dairy products.....	889	2,001	1,540	1,766	1,286	1,440	1,593
Cattle & Calves.....	4,073	3,552	4,817	5,627	6,143	6,478	10,873
Hogs & Pigs.....	2,724	4,143	3,882	3,169	2,984	(D)	10

^{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	46,341	NA	57,323	9,588	NA	50,114
1944	NA	209,140	NA	154,071	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	250,195	590,165	168,730	96,540	110,395	NA
1954	NA	245,455	NA	171,035	110,049	NA	317,220
1959	NA	426,923	235,385	142,355	124,634	59,665	NA
1964	NA	647,415	484,155	245,455	229,425	98,836	435,065
1969	5,203,000	1,289,357	1,147,621	331,337	278,945	121,404	502,227
1974	6,915,000	1,735,000	1,459,000	388,000	NA	141,000	875,000
1978	NA	1,912,000	1,587,000	597,000	612,000	253,000	1,239,000
1982	NA	2,687,000	2,419,000	780,000	1,096,000	297,000	1,254,000
1987	10,992,000	1,852,000	2,794,000	620,000	697,000	281,000	1,339,000
1992	17,819,000	3,317,000	2,865,000	3,563,000	1,147,000	322,000	1,553,000
^{2/} 1997	28,134,000	6,220,000	2,110,000	4,968,000	1,295,000 ^{3/}	475,000	2,387,000 ^{4/}
^{2/} 2002	29,822,000	5,506,000	2,989,000	4,608,000	2,346,000	408,000	2,147,000
^{2/} 2007	56,259,000	16,062,000	9,477,000	7,660,000	3,884,000	563,000	2,662,000

^{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.....	473	394	382	495	327
Other.....	506	495	509	365	454
Age group					
Under 25 Years.....	10	22	13	19	4
25 to 34 Years.....	103	101	75	50	38
35 to 44 Years.....	189	187	188	146	108
45 to 54 Years.....	224	187	209	231	190
55 to 64 Years.....	213	163	200	170	219
65 and over.....	240	229	206	244	222
Average Age.....	53	52.4	53.3	55.2	56.6

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



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