

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture, Tennessee Agricultural Statistics Service

BLOUNT

TENNESSEE

Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

| Item | Quantity | State | | U.S. | |
|---|----------|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|
| | | Rank | Universe* | Rank | Universe* |
| MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Total value of agricultural products sold | 18,568 | 45 | 95 | 2,166 | 3,076 |
| Value of livestock and poultry | 10,182 | 35 | 95 | 1,846 | 3,069 |
| Value of crops including nursery | 8,387 | 32 | 95 | 1,866 | 3,070 |
| TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves | 5,801 | 24 | 95 | 1,348 | 3,063 |
| Nursery and greenhouse crops | 5,555 | 9 | 93 | 358 | 2,790 |
| Dairy products | 3,973 | 21 | 84 | 733 | 2,563 |
| Tobacco | 905 | 38 | 75 | 307 | 580 |
| Corn for grain | 580 | 39 | 94 | 1,520 | 2,582 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves sold | 15,147 | 26 | 95 | 1,238 | 3,063 |
| Hogs and pigs sold | 1,100 | 59 | 94 | 1,781 | 2,976 |
| Sheep and lambs sold | 230 | 18 | 88 | 1,653 | 2,765 |
| Horses and ponies sold | 181 | 20 | 95 | 409 | 3,015 |
| Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold | (D) | 40 | 82 | 1,270 | 2,203 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves inventory | 32,061 | 20 | 95 | 1,058 | 3,064 |
| Horse and pony inventory | 1,596 | 15 | 95 | 329 | 3,066 |
| Hogs and pigs inventory | 658 | 60 | 94 | 1,775 | 3,005 |
| Layers 20 weeks and older inventory | 572 | 45 | 94 | 1,576 | 3,002 |
| Sheep and lamb inventory | 455 | 7 | 91 | 1,459 | 2,864 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA | | | | | |
| Hay crops-acres | 24,578 | 22 | 95 | 831 | 3,061 |
| Corn for grain-acres | 3,145 | 39 | 95 | 1,502 | 2,691 |
| Soybeans for beans-acres | 1,915 | 47 | 83 | 1,426 | 2,144 |
| Wheat-acres | 1,392 | 29 | 87 | 1,558 | 2,612 |
| Corn for silage-acres | 1,254 | 19 | 88 | 922 | 2,473 |

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

Other County Summary Highlights

| Item | 1997 | 1992 | Percent Change |
|--|--------|--------|----------------|
| Farms by value of sales: | | | |
| Less than \$10,000 | 841 | 758 | 11 |
| \$10,000 or more | 212 | 254 | -17 |
| Total farm production expenses\$1,000.. | 14,659 | 12,390 | 18 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 13,934 | 12,231 | 14 |
| Net cash return from agricultural sales | | | |
| for the farm unit\$1,000.. | 4,809 | 4,937 | -3 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 4,571 | 4,874 | -6 |
| Farms by type of organization: | | | |
| Individual or family | 975 | 929 | 5 |
| Partnership or corporation | 76 | 81 | -6 |
| Other | 2 | 2 | |
| OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS | | | |
| Operators by principal occupation: | | | |
| Farming | 341 | 362 | -6 |
| Other | 712 | 650 | 10 |
| Operators by sex: | | | |
| Male | 956 | 931 | 3 |
| Female | 97 | 81 | 20 |
| Operators by race: | | | |
| White | 1,045 | 1,009 | 4 |
| Black and other races | 8 | 3 | 167 |
| Average age of operator | 56.4 | 56.5 | -0 |

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

* Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.