

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Kentucky Agricultural Statistics Service



BRACKEN KENTUCKY

Land in farms

Decreased 7 percent from 99,009 acres in 1992 to 91,714 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased slightly from 141 acres in 1992 to 140 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 23 percent from 376 farms in 1992 to 291 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

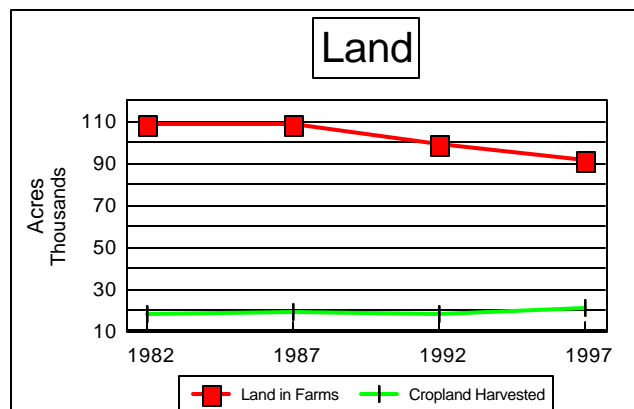
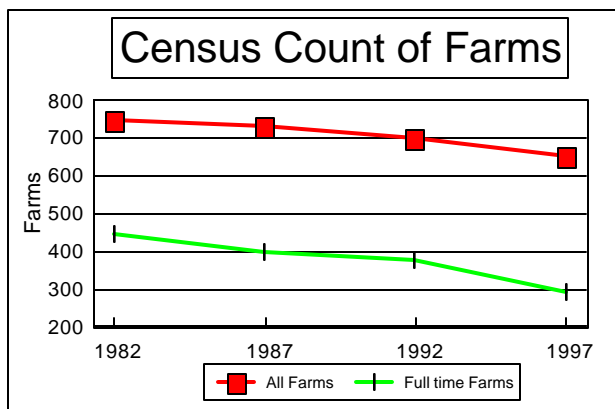
Increased slightly

Crop sales accounted for 80 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 20 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 8 percent from \$24,975 in 1992 to \$26,888 in 1997.



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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	17,639	63	120	2,196	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	14,105	47	120	1,520	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	3,534	80	120	2,513	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Tobacco	13,395	18	116	64	580
Cattle and calves	1,944	76	120	2,184	3,063
Dairy products	1,516	36	107	1,192	2,563
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	493	49	119	1,621	3,043
Nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	72	113	2,082	2,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	5,844	72	120	2,032	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	83	116	2,212	2,976
All goats sold	28	57	110	1,808	2,686
Horses and ponies sold	26	86	116	2,261	3,015
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	76	88	2,033	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	13,057	67	120	1,900	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	316	83	119	2,151	3,066
Hogs and pigs inventory	293	78	118	2,079	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	253	77	119	2,182	3,002
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	48	117	1,651	2,884
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	16,238	55	120	1,238	3,061
Tobacco-acres	3,954	24	116	65	583
Corn for grain-acres	749	83	118	1,943	2,691
Corn for silage-acres	478	54	110	1,446	2,473
Soybeans for beans-acres	333	81	98	1,792	2,144

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	279	288	-3
\$10,000 or more	377	415	-9
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	9,122	9,660	-6
Average per farmdollars..	13,906	13,741	1
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	7,152	7,572	-6
Average per farmdollars..	10,903	10,771	1
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	572	588	-3
Partnership or corporation	84	113	-26
Other	-	2	-100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	291	376	-23
Other	365	327	12
Operators by sex:			
Male	592	636	-7
Female	64	67	-4
Operators by race:			
White	652	701	-7
Black and other races	4	2	100
Average age of operator	53.8	53.8	

(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.

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