# 1997 Census of Agriculture Parish Profile

United States Department of Agriculture Louisiana Agricultural Statistics Service



# CALCASIEU LOUISIANA

Land in farms

Decreased 5 percent from 327,511 acres in 1992 to 311,555 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 8 percent from 452 acres in 1992 to 416 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 2 percent from 254 farms in 1992 to 259 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

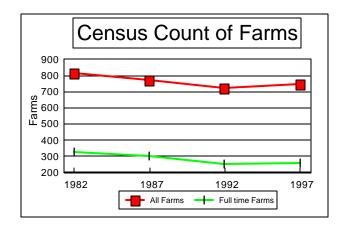
Increased 32 percent to \$20,453,000 in 1997.

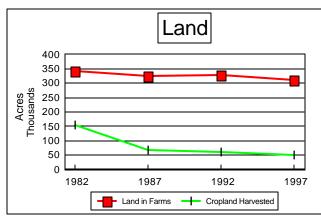
Crop sales accounted for 69 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 31 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 28 percent from \$21,327 in 1992 to \$27,307 in 1997.





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Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

		\$	State	U.S.	
Item	Quantity	Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	20,453	38	64	2,086	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	14,025	29	64	1,524	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	6,428	22	64	2,201	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	11,195	6	38	67	1,971
Cattle and calves	5,381	3	64	1,420	3,063
Soybeans	1,612	26	48	1,046	2,136
Aquaculture	(D)	17	43	172	1,505
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	497	4	61	1,613	3,043
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	17,991	2	64	1,091	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	1,094	6	59	1,784	2,976
All goats sold	(D)	1	50	81	2,686
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	8	25	333	1,593
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	253	14	32	1,107	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	37,023	4	64	899	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	2,744	4	42	226	2,588
Horse and pony inventory	1,386	3	64	447	3,066
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	788	11	52	786	2,884
Hogs and pigs inventory	586	6	59	1,821	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Rice-acres	28,942	6	35	37	153
Soybeans for beans-acres	10,727	23	48	977	2,144
Hay crops-acres	8,918	17	64	1,815	3,061
Sorghum for grain-acres	1,103	14	30	495	1,508
Wheat-acres	721	29	41	1,770	2,612

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

#### Other County Summary Highlights

			Percent	
Item	1997	1992	Change	
Farms by value of sales:				
Less than \$10,000	533	523	2	
\$10,000 or more	216	201	7	
Total farm production expenses\$1,000	15,792	14,610	8	
Average per farmdollars	21,056	20,179	4	
Net cash return from agricultural sales				
for the farm unit\$1,000	2,867	506	467	
Average per farmdollars	3,823	698	448	
Farms by type of organization:				
Individual or family	653	637	3	
Partnership or corporation	88	78	13	
Other	8	9	-11	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS				
Operators by principal occupation:				
Farming	259	254	2	
Other	490	470	4	
Operators by sex:				
Male	692	659	5	
Female	57	65	-12	
Operators by race:				
White	731	712	3	
Black and other races	18	12	50	
Average age of operator	52.0	52.6	-1	

<sup>(</sup>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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