

# Agriculture Works for Arkansas

## White County

### Quick Facts from the Division of Agriculture

Approximate Land Area	665,651	acres
Average Size of Farms	216	acres
Number of Farms	1,823	
Land in Farms	394,424	acres
Cropland Harvested <sup>1</sup>	139,913	acres
Timber <sup>2</sup>	267,596	acres

1. 2005 Cropland Harvested, National Agricultural Statistics Services, USDA

2. 2005 Forest Inventory and Analysis, USDA Forest Service

All other information from 2002 Census of Agriculture

### Major Crops, Livestock & Timber

Major Crops	Acreage	Production	Units
Wheat	2,100	8,320,000	Bu
Rice	15,800	108,792,000	Cwt
Soybeans	43,500	4,960,000	Bu
Livestock		Inventory	No. Sold
Cattle & Calves	57,845	31,539	
Layers 20 Wks & Older	106,748		
Broilers/Turkeys		3,519,729	

Sources: Crop data for 2005 are from the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service;  
Livestock data are from the 2002 Census of Agriculture

### Timber **Total<sup>3</sup>**

Timber Removed 176,027 Tons

3. Computed from 1997 Severance Tax Data, Department of Finance and Administration

## Agricultural Employment

## Jobs

Farm, Forestry & Fish Production.....	1,901
Agricultural Services .....	83
Processing of Agriculture, Forestry & Fish Products .....	1,793
New Farm Structures .....	8
Total (All Industries) .....	36,301

Source: Computed from the Arkansas 2003 IMPLAN Database, Minnesota IMPLAN Group, Inc.

## Agricultural Value Added

## In millions of dollars

Farm, Forestry & Fish Production..... \$	33.0
Agricultural Services .....	1.3
Processing of Agriculture, Forestry & Fish Products .....	101.7
New Farm Structures .....	0.4
Total (All Industries) .....	1,449.4

Source: Computed from the Arkansas 2003 IMPLAN Database, Minnesota IMPLAN Group, Inc.

## Farm Revenue

## In millions of dollars

All crops .....	\$ 29.2
All livestock .....	44.5
Other farm income .....	17.7
Timber <sup>4</sup> (delivered value) .....	4.9

4. Estimates (1997-2000 average) provided by Dr. Frank Roth, from DFA and Timber-Mart South data. Other information from 2004 REIS database, Bureau of Economic Analysis

## Agriculture in Arkansas

Agriculture is a vital and growing component of the state's economy. Facts include:

- Nearly 287,000 Arkansas workers, or 20 percent of the state's jobs, were employed as a result of agricultural production and processing.
- These workers received \$8.9 billion wages and salaries – about 19 percent of the state's total employee income.
- The total value added as a result of agricultural production and processing in the state was approximately \$15.3 billion, or roughly 20 percent of all the value added in the state.
- Arkansas ranks No. 1 in the U.S. in rice production.
- In 2005, Arkansas farmers harvested 7.5 million acres of crops.

Source: Economic Impact of the Agricultural Sector on the Arkansas Economy, University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service

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