

Table 16

FARMS GROWING RICE BY STATE : NUMBER, PRODUCTION SHARE AND AVERAGE SIZE

State	2002			1997		
	Farms	Production Share	Average Size	Farms	Production Share	Average Size
	Number	Percent	Acres	Number	Percent	Acres
Arkansas	3,573	46.2	422	4,325	43.4	325
Louisiana	1,448	14.1	372	1,844	14.5	317
Mississippi	461	6.9	506	529	7.3	445
Missourri	445	4.7	377	457	3.6	272
Texas	629	6.9	324	892	8.5	323
South	6,556	78.9	404	8,047	77.3	328
California	1,473	20.7	361	1,567	22.5	328
Total *	8,046	100	397	9,627	100	328

* Includes some rice farms in minor rice production States: Florida, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Tennessee.

Source : U.S. Census of Agriculture, 1997 and 2002