

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
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Land in farms

Decreased 13 percent from 177,189 acres in 1992 to 153,775 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 12 percent from 421 acres in 1992 to 369 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 18 percent from 204 farms in 1992 to 167 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

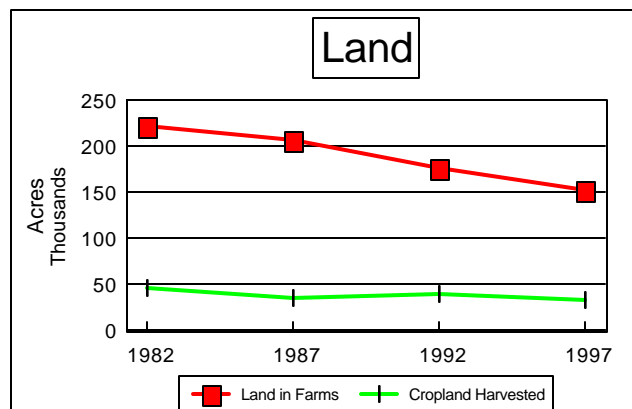
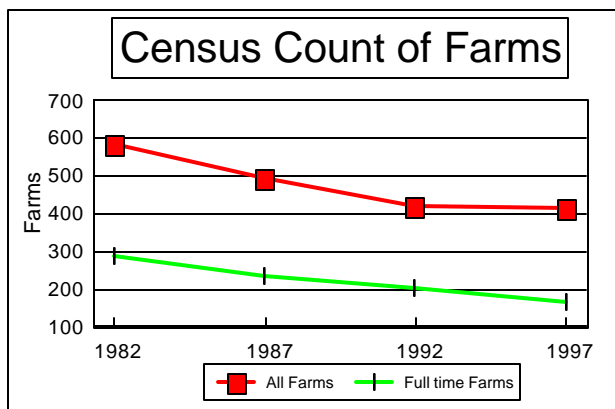
Decreased 23 percent to \$24,261,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 52 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 48 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 23 percent from \$75,285 in 1992 to \$58,180 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	24,261	41	67	1,947	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	12,564	21	67	1,615	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	11,697	42	67	1,735	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	7,136	36	66	512	2,901
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	6,739	7	51	183	2,237
Cattle and calves	3,526	32	67	1,743	3,063
Cotton, cottonseed	3,283	20	57	285	709
Nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	21	64	854	2,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	3,815,000	33	51	300	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	9,749	30	67	1,628	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	3,351	22	67	1,376	2,976
All goats sold	72	38	65	1,137	2,686
Horses and ponies sold	54	34	67	1,559	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	457,007	35	62	340	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	19,869	32	67	1,545	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	2,349	19	67	1,277	3,005
All goat inventory	288	36	67	853	2,983
Horse and pony inventory	212	64	67	2,550	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Peanuts-acres	12,766	6	35	39	466
Cotton-acres	8,292	20	57	276	713
Hay crops-acres	6,219	55	67	2,126	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	3,192	25	67	1,497	2,691
Land in orchards-acres	857	8	66	347	2,693

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	239	212	13
\$10,000 or more	178	209	-15
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	19,929	24,072	-17
Average per farmdollars..	47,907	57,179	-16
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	3,205	7,115	-55
Average per farmdollars..	7,704	16,901	-54
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	378	376	1
Partnership or corporation	36	42	-14
Other	3	3	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	167	204	-18
Other	250	217	15
Operators by sex:			
Male	383	396	-3
Female	34	25	36
Operators by race:			
White	392	390	1
Black and other races	25	31	-19
Average age of operator	56.6	54.3	4

(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.