

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Increased 22 percent from 110,066 acres in 1992 to 134,551 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 16 percent from 275 acres in 1992 to 319 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased slightly from 167 farms in 1992 to 166 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

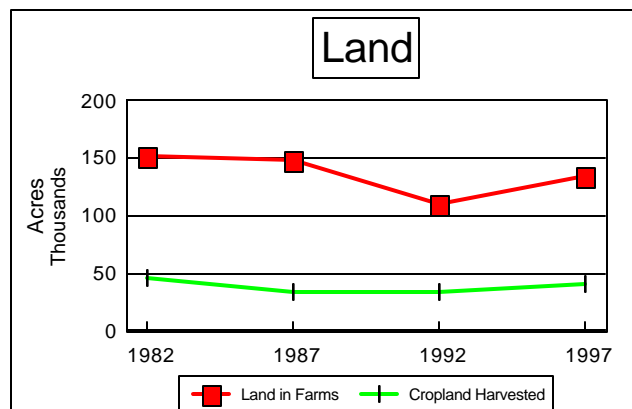
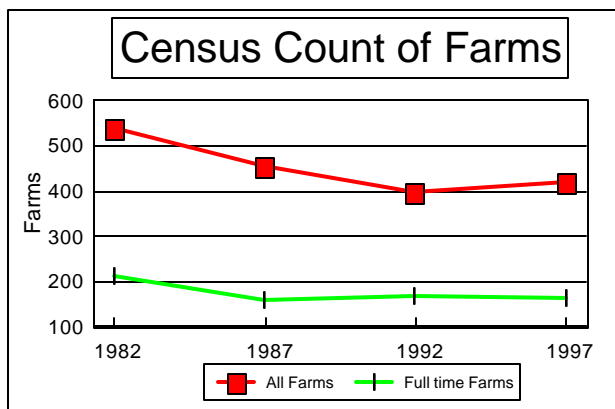
Increased 60 percent to \$22,891,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 78 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 22 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 51 percent from \$35,813 in 1992 to \$54,245 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	22,891	42	67	1,997	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	17,816	10	67	1,358	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	5,075	52	67	2,357	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cotton, cottonseed	16,473	1	57	99	709
Cattle and calves	3,783	29	67	1,680	3,063
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	46	66	989	2,901
Corn for grain	819	22	67	1,399	2,582
Hogs and pigs	247	26	67	1,475	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	43	51	526	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	9,563	32	67	1,642	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	2,151	28	67	1,522	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	231	5	67	286	3,015
All goats sold	212	16	65	448	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Broiler inventory	(D)	40	62	466	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	18,363	35	67	1,618	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	1,441	32	67	1,466	3,005
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	662	32	64	876	2,884
Horse and pony inventory	540	29	67	1,493	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Cotton-acres	27,857	2	57	128	713
Hay crops-acres	7,790	47	67	1,929	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	3,407	24	67	1,474	2,691
Land in orchards-acres	1,009	6	66	327	2,693
Soybeans for beans-acres	405	49	58	1,758	2,144

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	250	246	2
\$10,000 or more .....	172	154	12
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	16,613	12,088	37
Average per farm .....dollars..	39,367	30,220	30
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	5,340	1,505	255
Average per farm .....dollars..	12,655	3,762	236
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	373	359	4
Partnership or corporation .....	47	38	24
Other .....	2	3	-33
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	166	167	-1
Other .....	256	233	10
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	377	359	5
Female .....	45	41	10
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	373	348	7
Black and other races .....	49	52	-6
Average age of operator .....	54.2	55.5	-2

(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.