

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Decreased 15 percent from 112,620 acres in 1992 to 96,088 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 26 percent from 529 acres in 1992 to 391 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 21 percent from 78 farms in 1992 to 94 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

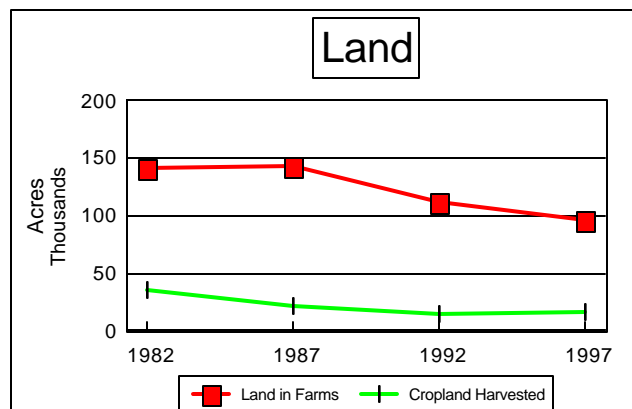
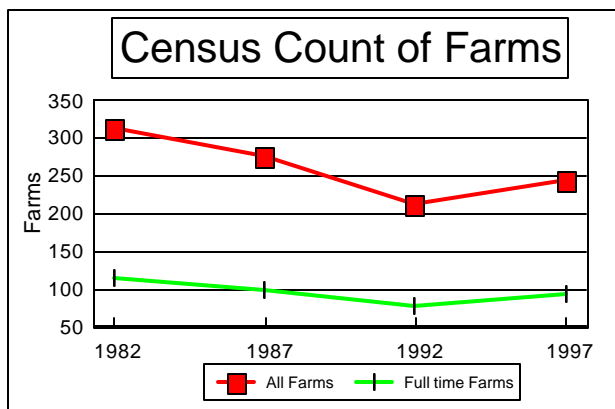
Increased 6 percent to \$7,577,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 74 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 26 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 9 percent from \$33,710 in 1992 to \$30,799 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	7,577	58	67	2,631	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	5,612	36	67	2,068	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	1,965	64	67	2,731	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cotton, cottonseed	1,922	25	57	329	709
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	1,608	14	51	397	2,237
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1,435	20	64	831	2,790
Cattle and calves	1,348	62	67	2,398	3,063
Dairy products	(D)	32	52	1,721	2,563
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	16	52	234	2,200
Cattle and calves sold	3,671	62	67	2,369	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	5	51	1,582	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold	257	53	67	2,314	2,976
All goats sold	(D)	33	65	1,003	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	8,201	63	67	2,310	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	(D)	1	58	671	2,864
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	1,547	24	64	528	2,884
All goat inventory	1,167	5	67	171	2,983
Horse and pony inventory	383	42	67	1,932	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Cotton-acres	5,815	23	57	320	713
Hay crops-acres	5,167	61	67	2,260	3,061
Peanuts-acres	2,115	10	35	118	466
All nursery-acres	578	14	64	474	2,619
Soybeans for beans-acres	575	46	58	1,694	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 .....	178	150	19
\$10,000 or more .....	68	63	8
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	6,091	6,393	-5
Average per farm .....dollars..	24,759	30,016	-18
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	994	403	147
Average per farm .....dollars..	4,039	1,892	113
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	222	187	19
Partnership or corporation .....	22	25	-12
Other .....	2	1	100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	94	78	21
Other .....	152	135	13
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	221	201	10
Female .....	25	12	108
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	230	200	15
Black and other races .....	16	13	23
Average age of operator .....	57.1	55.4	3

(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.