

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Increased 9 percent from 50,257 acres in 1992 to 54,950 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Unchanged from 117 acres in 1992 to 117 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 11 percent from 147 farms in 1992 to 163 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

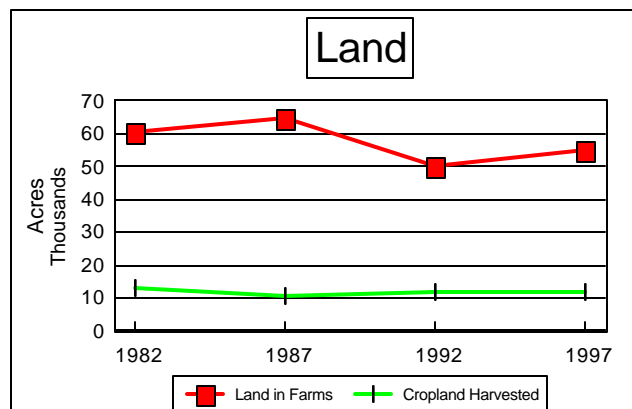
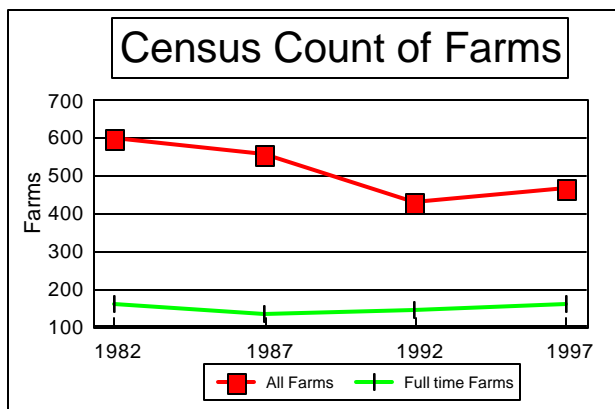
Increased 84 percent to \$54,765,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 1 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 99 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 69 percent from \$69,072 in 1992 to \$116,522 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	54,765	19	67	1,090	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	53,954	12	67	458	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	811	60	67	2,772	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Poultry & poultry products	51,081	11	66	112	2,901
Cattle and calves	1,881	59	67	2,203	3,063
Hogs and pigs	(D)	8	67	1,060	2,976
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	(D)	9	67	846	2,739
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	336	26	67	1,991	3,043
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	23,314,813	12	51	81	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	25	52	379	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	6	67	859	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	5,694	56	67	2,059	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	2,230	24	52	568	2,200
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Broiler inventory	3,633,615	10	62	89	2,620
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	14	55	249	2,549
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	32,541	35	67	665	3,002
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	19	46	281	1,790
Cattle and calves inventory	11,875	56	67	1,989	3,064
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	11,108	22	67	1,605	3,061
Land used for vegetables-acres	(D)	8	67	626	2,741
Corn for grain-acres	87	65	67	2,389	2,691
All nursery-acres	27	46	64	1,751	2,619
Field seeds-acres	(D)	40	50	905	1,212

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 .....	359	330	9
\$10,000 or more .....	111	100	11
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	45,316	24,348	86
Average per farm .....dollars..	96,622	56,361	71
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	9,187	4,891	88
Average per farm .....dollars..	19,588	11,321	73
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	432	394	10
Partnership or corporation .....	37	36	3
Other .....	1	-	
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	163	147	11
Other .....	307	283	8
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	442	406	9
Female .....	28	24	17
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	470	430	9
Black and other races .....			
Average age of operator .....	53.4	53.8	-1

(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.