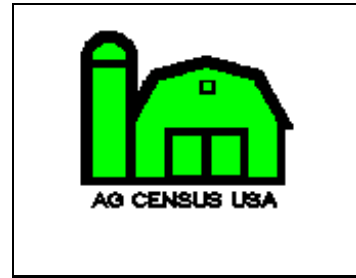


# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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## KENAI PENINSULA, ALASKA

### Land in farms

Increased 11 percent from 50,810 acres in 1992 to 56,474 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 16 percent from 546 acres in 1992 to 635 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 7 percent from 43 farms in 1992 to 46 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

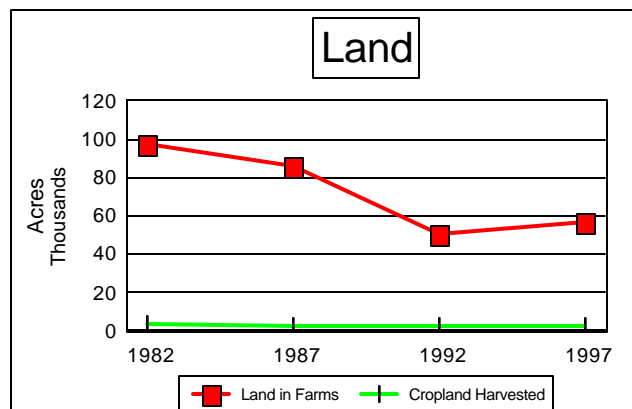
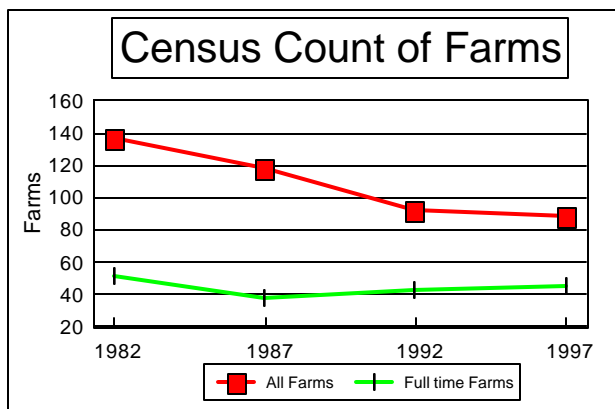
Increased 55 percent to \$1,259,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 72 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 28 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 62 percent from \$8,729 in 1992 to \$14,151 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	1,259	4	5	2,989	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	904	3	5	2,749	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	355	4	5	2,975	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	619	3	5	1,223	2,790
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	(D)	3	5	2,143	3,043
All other livestock & products	(D)	3	4	210	1,649
Cattle and calves	96	4	4	2,981	3,063
Aquaculture	73	3	3	446	1,505
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	148	4	4	3,007	3,063
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	1	4	1,388	2,203
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	3	3	1,429	1,882
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	3	4	1,479	2,200
Rabbits and their pelts sold	60	3	4	933	1,593
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	(D)	4	5	2,932	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	440	3	5	1,782	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	(D)	4	5	2,448	3,066
Rabbit inventory	(D)	2	5	428	2,456
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	3	5	2,564	3,005
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	2,652	3	5	2,617	3,061
Land used for vegetables-acres	5	3	5	2,427	2,741
Total herbs-acres	(D)	2	2	392	649
Potatoes-acres	2	4	5	1,069	1,733
Barley-acres	(D)	4	4	1,400	1,411

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 .....	68	74	-8
\$10,000 or more .....	21	19	11
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	1,387	1,035	34
Average per farm .....dollars..	15,589	11,133	40
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	(128)	(224)	43
Average per farm .....dollars..	(1,437)	(2,405)	40
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	83	85	-2
Partnership or corporation .....	6	8	-25
Other .....			
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	46	43	7
Other .....	43	50	-14
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	70	76	-8
Female .....	19	17	12
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	87	93	-6
Black and other races .....	2	-	
Average age of operator .....	54.9	53.1	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.