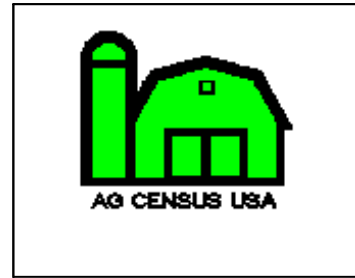


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### Land in farms

Increased 2 percent from 105,721 acres in 1992 to 108,020 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 2 percent from 161 acres in 1992 to 165 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 3 percent from 348 farms in 1992 to 358 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

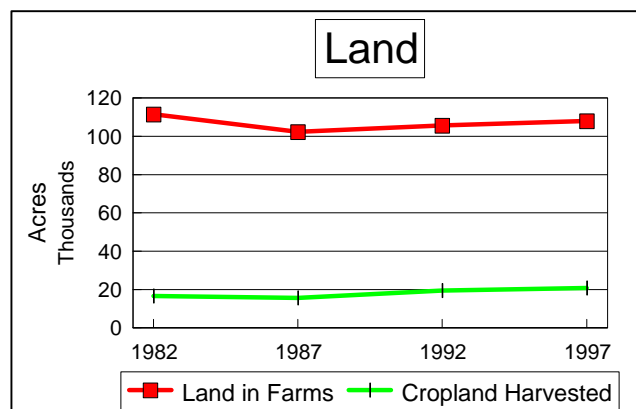
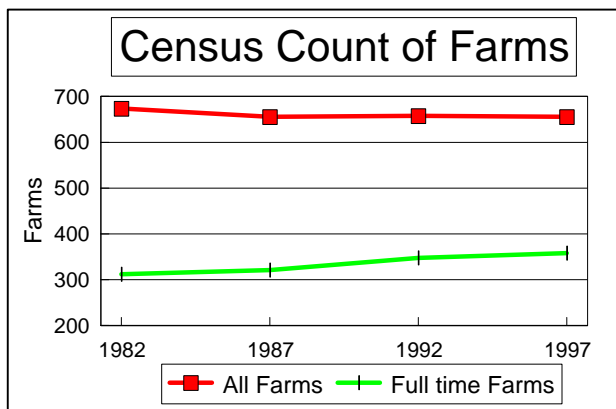
Increased 44 percent to \$128,526,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 0 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 100 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 44 percent from \$136,112 in 1992 to \$195,924 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	128,526	8	75	327	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	127,975	6	75	121	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	551	60	75	2,859	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Poultry & poultry products	97,693	5	67	46	2,901
Hogs and pigs	22,602	2	73	144	2,976
Cattle and calves	7,515	23	75	1,132	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	342	27	75	1,970	3,043
Fruits, nuts, berries	(D)	11	70	702	2,547
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	43,241,100	5	58	38	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	1,058,243	7	60	76	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	344,741	2	73	79	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	21,166	16	75	925	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	100	37	51	1,357	2,200
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Broiler inventory	8,006,474	5	64	29	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	505,897	8	71	155	3,002
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	268,745	6	57	52	2,549
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	208,920	9	47	76	1,790
Hogs and pigs inventory	78,348	3	72	208	3,005
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	20,651	24	75	1,003	3,061
Land in orchards-acres	240	15	72	697	2,693
Total berries-acres	(D)	14	56	694	2,058
Land used for vegetables-acres	(D)	58	71	2,296	2,741
All nursery-acres	(D)	59	65	2,424	2,619

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 .....	249	254	-2
\$10,000 or more .....	407	404	1
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	94,896	70,068	35
Average per farm .....dollars..	144,658	106,486	36
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	18,104	12,798	41
Average per farm .....dollars..	27,597	19,450	42
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	599	615	-3
Partnership or corporation .....	55	42	31
Other .....	2	1	100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	358	348	3
Other .....	298	310	-4
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	582	583	-0
Female .....	74	75	-1
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	633	640	-1
Black and other races .....	23	18	28
Average age of operator .....	52.5	51.4	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.