

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
California Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Decreased 15 percent from 775,829 acres in 1992 to 656,968 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 14 percent from 710 acres in 1992 to 609 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 5 percent from 707 farms in 1992 to 671 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

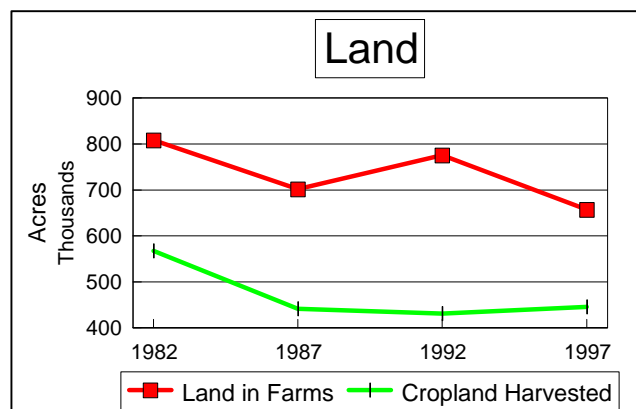
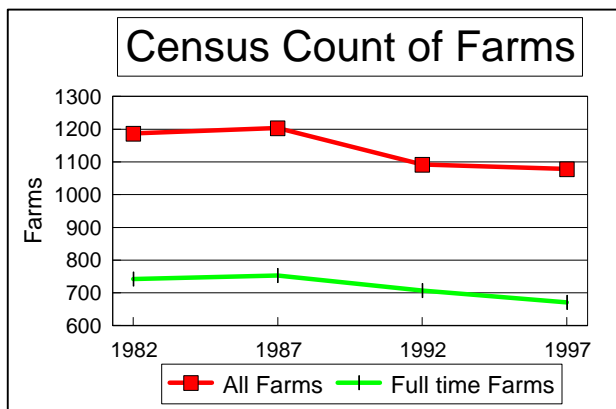
Increased 19 percent to \$693,677,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 53 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 47 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 21 percent from \$532,826 in 1992 to \$642,889 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	693,677	11	58	18	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	369,277	14	58	20	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	324,401	7	57	27	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Dairy products	241,097	6	47	6	2,563
Cotton, cottonseed	181,646	3	17	3	709
Fruits, nuts, berries	69,546	22	55	38	2,547
Poultry & poultry products	54,761	7	55	102	2,901
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	42,488	7	57	13	3,043
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	12,772,400	4	43	156	1,882
Turkeys sold	2,507,695	5	38	38	1,353
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	186,175	11	47	346	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	77,872	10	57	149	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	6	56	920	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Broiler inventory	1,469,027	5	50	197	2,620
All turkeys inventory	971,536	4	52	27	2,361
Cattle and calves inventory	207,295	9	57	29	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	13	56	343	3,002
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	10	44	274	1,790
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Cotton-acres	196,108	3	17	12	713
Wheat-acres	71,415	2	42	252	2,612
Hay crops-acres	58,776	11	57	191	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	36,339	4	36	9	2,473
Land in orchards-acres	31,482	21	56	34	2,693

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 .....	331	355	-7
\$10,000 or more .....	748	737	1
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	555,783	466,209	19
Average per farm .....dollars..	514,614	426,540	21
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	133,838	113,460	18
Average per farm .....dollars..	123,924	103,806	19
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	770	792	-3
Partnership or corporation .....	299	289	3
Other .....	10	11	-9
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	671	707	-5
Other .....	408	385	6
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	996	994	0
Female .....	83	98	-15
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	1,016	1,031	-1
Black and other races .....	63	61	3
Average age of operator .....	54.7	53.8	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.