

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
California Agricultural Statistics Service



MARIN CALIFORNIA

Land in farms

Decreased 11 percent from 168,879 acres in 1992 to 149,663 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 17 percent from 650 acres in 1992 to 542 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 5 percent from 182 farms in 1992 to 172 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

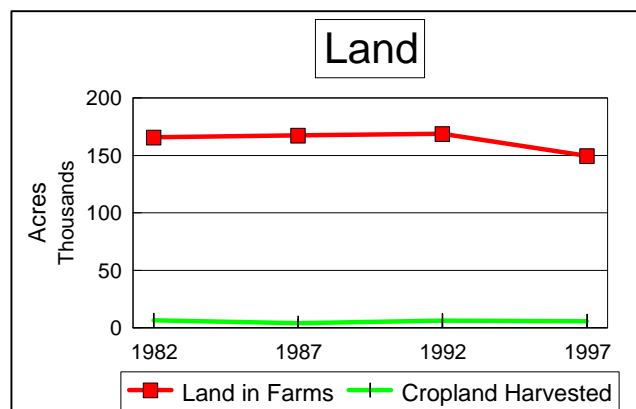
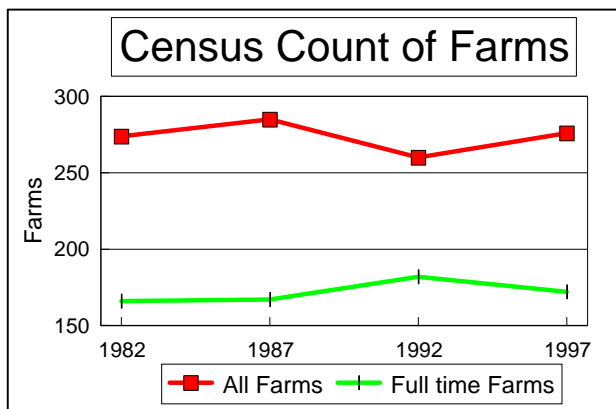
Increased 28 percent to \$53,879,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 7 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 93 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 20 percent from \$162,104 in 1992 to \$195,212 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	53,879	39	58	1,109	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	50,335	16	57	502	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	3,544	48	58	2,288	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	34,714	13	47	124	2,563
Cattle and calves	10,512	26	57	856	3,063
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	22	55	766	2,901
Aquaculture	1,969	5	47	69	1,505
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1,832	43	58	726	2,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Turkeys sold	65,172	13	38	300	1,353
Cattle and calves sold	21,090	25	57	929	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	8,231	15	56	152	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	23	43	868	1,882
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	38	56	2,163	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	46,716	24	57	666	3,064
All turkeys inventory	28,916	13	52	268	2,361
Sheep and lamb inventory	12,846	15	56	118	2,864
Broiler inventory	(D)	20	50	731	2,620
Horse and pony inventory	723	44	57	1,118	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	5,368	36	57	2,222	3,061
Land in orchards-acres	241	45	56	694	2,693
All nursery-acres	70	50	58	1,367	2,619
Land used for vegetables-acres	69	45	56	1,411	2,741
Wheat-acres	(D)	40	42	2,521	2,612

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	105	96	9
\$10,000 or more	171	164	4
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	45,263	36,954	22
Average per farmdollars..	163,405	142,130	15
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	7,820	6,522	20
Average per farmdollars..	28,232	25,083	13
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	192	180	7
Partnership or corporation	81	77	5
Other	3	3	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	172	182	-5
Other	104	78	33
Operators by sex:			
Male	206	200	3
Female	70	60	17
Operators by race:			
White	276	259	7
Black and other races	-	1	-100
Average age of operator	55.9	54.7	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.