

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
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### Land in farms

Decreased 3 percent from 686,876 acres in 1992 to 662,927 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 2 percent from 1,474 acres in 1992 to 1,507 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 13 percent from 326 farms in 1992 to 285 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

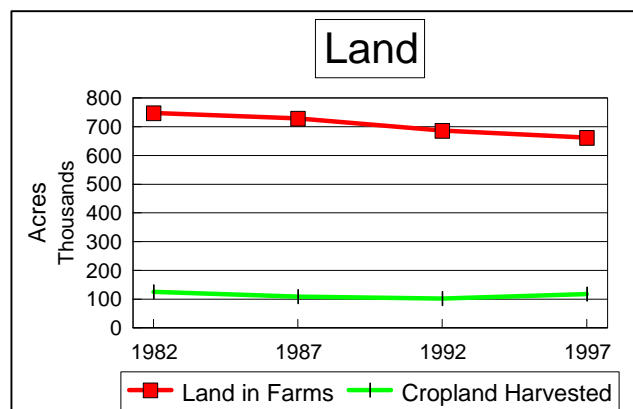
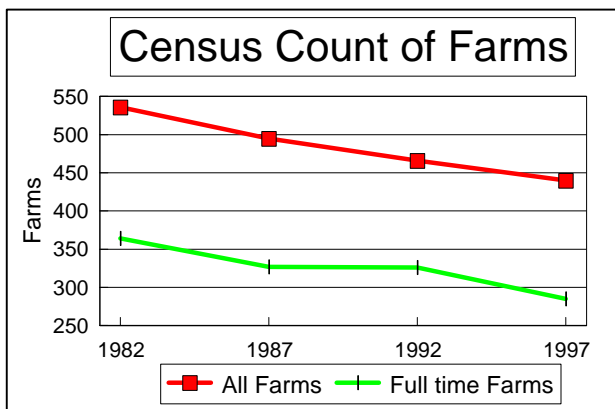
Increased 9 percent to \$63,797,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 64 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 36 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 15 percent from \$126,026 in 1992 to \$144,993 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                   | 63,797   | 38    | 58        | 916   | 3,076     |
| Value of crops including nursery                            | 40,678   | 37    | 58        | 710   | 3,070     |
| Value of livestock and poultry                              | 23,118   | 24    | 57        | 1,105 | 3,069     |
| <b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>  |          |       |           |       |           |
| Cattle and calves   | 22,353   | 14    | 57        | 350   | 3,063     |
| Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc                         | 15,058   | 7     | 51        | 96    | 2,237     |
| Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds                       | 14,825   | 14    | 57        | 49    | 3,043     |
| Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons                          | 4,793    | 30    | 56        | 187   | 2,739     |
| Barley  | 4,027    | 1     | 36        | 56    | 1,167     |
| <b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>       |          |       |           |       |           |
| Cattle and calves sold                                      | 48,965   | 13    | 57        | 300   | 3,063     |
| Sheep and lambs sold  | 4,082    | 25    | 56        | 279   | 2,765     |
| Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold                        | (D)      | 29    | 51        | 498   | 2,200     |
| Colonies of bees sold                                       | (D)      | 17    | 26        | 101   | 611       |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold                  | (D)      | 32    | 43        | 1,168 | 1,882     |
| <b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>  |          |       |           |       |           |
| Cattle and calves inventory                                 | 96,536   | 14    | 57        | 143   | 3,064     |
| Sheep and lamb inventory                                    | 10,480   | 17    | 56        | 140   | 2,864     |
| Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory                   | (D)      | 21    | 54        | 348   | 2,884     |
| Horse and pony inventory                                    | 1,340    | 32    | 57        | 473   | 3,066     |
| Colony of bees inventory                                    | (D)      | 33    | 52        | 436   | 2,588     |
| <b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>                     |          |       |           |       |           |
| Hay crops-acres   | 87,119   | 7     | 57        | 62    | 3,061     |
| Barley-acres  | 12,772   | 4     | 36        | 114   | 1,411     |
| Potatoes-acres  | 4,970    | 3     | 43        | 55    | 1,733     |
| Sugarbeets, sugar-acres                                     | 3,926    | 9     | 26        | 70    | 199       |
| Wheat-acres   | 3,583    | 21    | 42        | 1,207 | 2,612     |

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 .....                       | 135     | 138     | -2             |
| \$10,000 or more .....                         | 305     | 328     | -7             |
| Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..  | 49,488  | 48,135  | 3              |
| Average per farm .....dollars..                | 112,472 | 103,517 | 9              |
| <b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b> |         |         |                |
| for the farm unit .....\$1,000..               | 11,249  | 9,414   | 19             |
| Average per farm .....dollars..                | 25,566  | 20,246  | 26             |
| <b>Farms by type of organization:</b>          |         |         |                |
| Individual or family .....                     | 359     | 361     | -1             |
| Partnership or corporation .....               | 75      | 94      | -20            |
| Other .....                                    | 6       | 11      | -45            |
| <b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>                |         |         |                |
| <b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>      |         |         |                |
| Farming .....                                  | 285     | 326     | -13            |
| Other .....                                    | 155     | 140     | 11             |
| <b>Operators by sex:</b>                       |         |         |                |
| Male .....                                     | 402     | 428     | -6             |
| Female .....                                   | 38      | 38      |                |
| <b>Operators by race:</b>                      |         |         |                |
| White .....                                    | 431     | 455     | -5             |
| Black and other races .....                    | 9       | 11      | -18            |
| Average age of operator .....                  | 56.9    | 55.0    | 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.