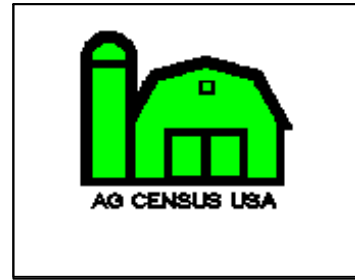


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### Land in farms

Decreased 7 percent from 342,653 acres in 1992 to 318,654 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Unchanged from 324 acres in 1992 to 324 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 12 percent from 534 farms in 1992 to 469 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

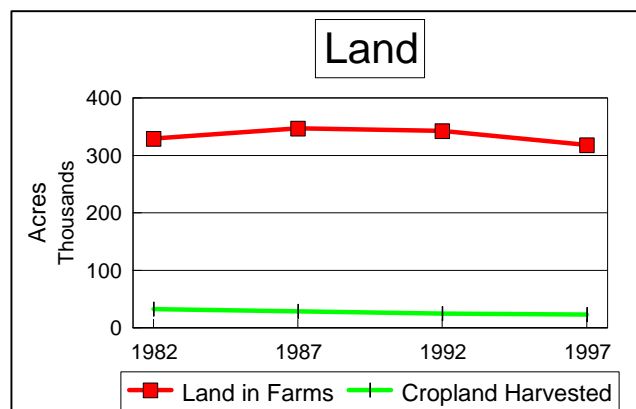
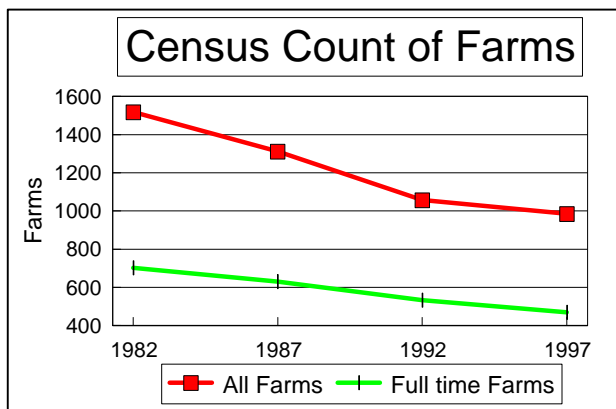
Increased 51 percent to \$188,485,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 90 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 10 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 62 percent from \$118,298 in 1992 to \$191,355 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	188,485	28	58	152	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	168,807	26	58	54	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	19,678	26	57	1,261	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	104,998	8	58	19	2,790
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	45,176	18	56	31	2,739
Fruits, nuts, berries	16,484	33	55	93	2,547
Cattle and calves	6,831	32	57	1,213	3,063
All other livestock & products	(D)	1	42	14	1,649
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	15	47	624	2,203
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	18	43	664	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	14,858	32	57	1,253	3,063
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	19	44	308	1,593
Hogs and pigs sold	587	31	56	1,997	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	9	56	201	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	25,722	33	57	1,285	3,064
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	10	53	336	2,549
Horse and pony inventory	2,815	14	57	100	3,066
Colony of bees inventory	1,116	34	52	438	2,588
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Land used for vegetables-acres	9,225	19	56	75	2,741
Hay crops-acres	5,125	38	57	2,267	3,061
Land in orchards-acres	5,103	32	56	112	2,693
All nursery-acres	1,725	19	58	158	2,619
Total herbs-acres	1,089	7	46	23	649

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 .....	576	661	-13
\$10,000 or more .....	409	396	3
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	122,805	103,068	19
Average per farm .....dollars..	124,675	97,602	28
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	62,327	20,634	202
Average per farm .....dollars..	63,277	19,540	224
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	768	839	-8
Partnership or corporation .....	202	199	2
Other .....	15	19	-21
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	469	534	-12
Other .....	516	523	-1
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	788	881	-11
Female .....	197	176	12
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	812	886	-8
Black and other races .....	173	171	1
Average age of operator .....	57.4	56.2	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.