

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
California Agricultural Statistics Service



TULARE CALIFORNIA

Land in farms

Decreased 3 percent from 1,354,262 acres in 1992 to 1,309,525 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 3 percent from 248 acres in 1992 to 240 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased slightly from 3,000 farms in 1992 to 3,022 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

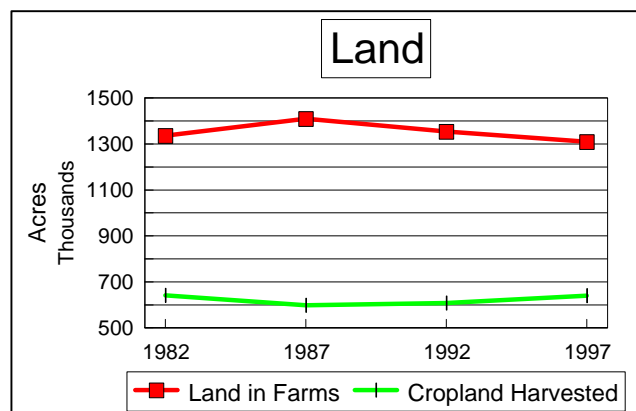
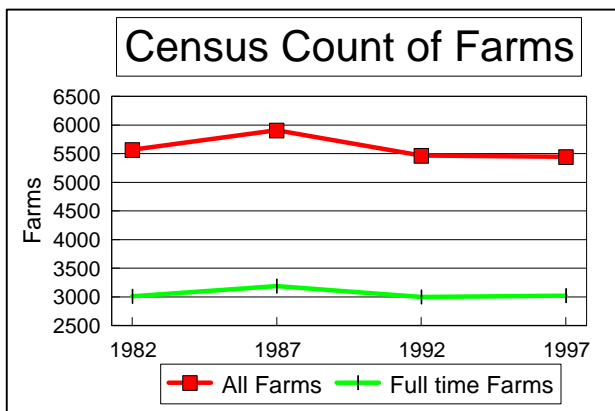
Increased 39 percent to \$1,921,381,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 58 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 42 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 39 percent from \$253,564 in 1992 to \$352,806 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	1,921,381	3	58	3	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	1,122,523	4	58	4	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	798,858	1	57	2	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Fruits, nuts, berries	880,611	3	55	3	2,547
Dairy products	611,544	1	47	1	2,563
Cattle and calves	132,475	3	57	41	3,063
Cotton, cottonseed	71,703	5	17	12	709
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	66,057	4	57	7	3,043
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	7	43	288	1,882
Turkeys sold	1,601,469	6	38	55	1,353
Cattle and calves sold	374,415	3	57	20	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	186,175	1	56	183	2,976
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	24,726	18	47	751	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	(D)	6	50	273	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	634,017	1	57	2	3,064
All turkeys inventory	342,806	8	52	79	2,361
Hogs and pigs inventory	116,390	1	56	126	3,005
Sheep and lamb inventory	60,793	3	56	20	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Land in orchards-acres	305,384	2	56	2	2,693
Hay crops-acres	139,588	3	57	12	3,061
Cotton-acres	81,089	4	17	35	713
Corn for silage-acres	75,787	1	36	1	2,473
Wheat-acres	33,797	8	42	407	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	1,778	1,900	-6
\$10,000 or more	3,668	3,569	3
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	1,388,770	1,125,733	23
Average per farmdollars..	254,914	205,914	24
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	516,029	252,426	104
Average per farmdollars..	94,719	46,173	105
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	3,855	3,952	-2
Partnership or corporation	1,468	1,427	3
Other	123	90	37
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	3,022	3,000	1
Other	2,424	2,469	-2
Operators by sex:			
Male	4,862	4,912	-1
Female	584	557	5
Operators by race:			
White	4,932	5,067	-3
Black and other races	514	402	28
Average age of operator	57.3	56.4	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.