

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
New England Agricultural Statistics Service



NEW LONDON CONNECTICUT

Land in farms

Increased 3 percent from 65,987 acres in 1992 to 67,924 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 8 percent from 120 acres in 1992 to 111 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 7 percent from 290 farms in 1992 to 311 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

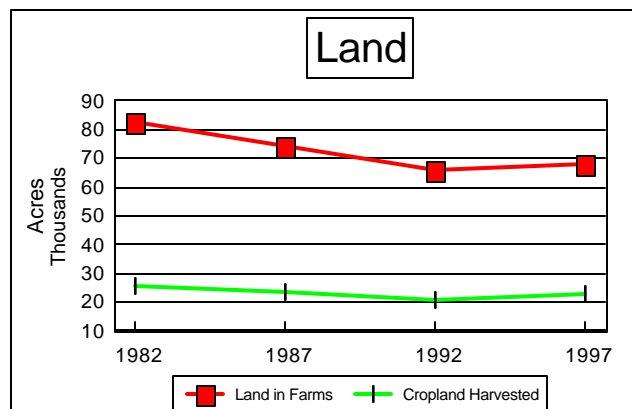
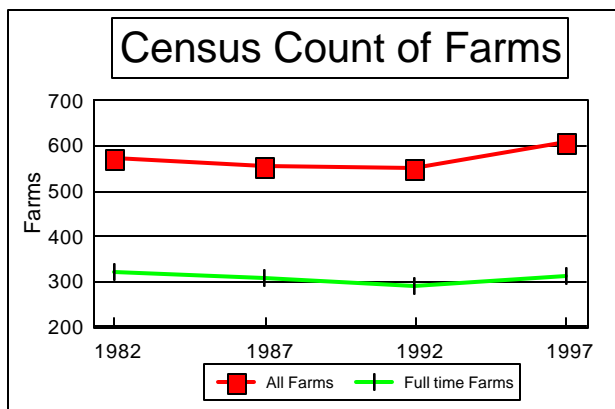
Increased 29 percent to \$125,805,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 44 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 56 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 16 percent from \$177,613 in 1992 to \$206,237 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	125,805	1	8	342	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	70,701	1	8	330	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	55,104	2	8	473	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	55,086	1	8	101	2,901
Nursery and greenhouse crops	52,179	1	8	35	2,790
Dairy products	13,640	2	8	292	2,563
Cattle and calves	1,212	2	8	2,440	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	1,098	3	8	848	3,043
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	2,114,802	1	8	24	2,203
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	2	7	597	1,882
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	2	8	142	2,200
Cattle and calves sold	6,343	1	8	1,963	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	1,845	3	8	1,591	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	3,153,002	1	8	14	3,002
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	1	7	7	1,790
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	154,148	1	8	99	2,549
Broiler inventory	(D)	1	8	572	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	13,062	3	8	1,898	3,064
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	14,367	2	8	1,337	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	6,853	2	8	204	2,473
All nursery-acres	1,407	2	8	203	2,619
Corn for grain-acres	879	3	8	1,903	2,691
Land used for vegetables-acres	500	5	8	645	2,741

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	397	344	15
\$10,000 or more	213	206	3
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	98,842	86,613	14
Average per farmdollars..	162,302	156,908	3
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	27,199	12,177	123
Average per farmdollars..	44,661	22,059	102
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	532	483	10
Partnership or corporation	71	63	13
Other	7	4	75
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	311	290	7
Other	299	260	15
Operators by sex:			
Male	534	467	14
Female	76	83	-8
Operators by race:			
White	610	548	11
Black and other races	-	2	-100
Average age of operator	56.2	54.4	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.