

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
New England Agricultural Statistics Service



TOLLAND CONNECTICUT

Land in farms

Decreased 6 percent from 38,715 acres in 1992 to 36,235 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 14 percent from 119 acres in 1992 to 102 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 5 percent from 157 farms in 1992 to 165 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

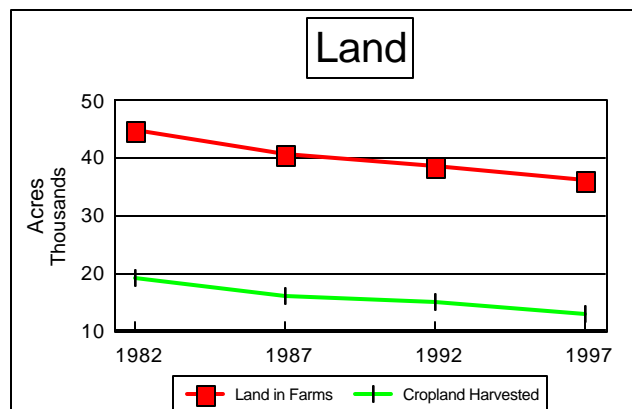
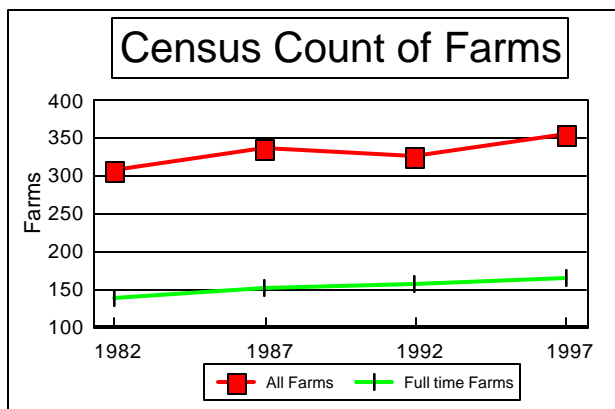
Increased 27 percent to \$27,268,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 39 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 61 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 17 percent from \$65,734 in 1992 to \$76,811 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	27,268	7	8	1,844	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	16,566	4	8	1,417	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	10,702	6	8	1,711	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	11,877	4	8	319	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	6,949	6	8	296	2,790
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	4	8	689	2,901
Tobacco	1,381	2	2	287	580
Fruits, nuts, berries	996	5	8	314	2,547
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	3	8	423	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	3,655	4	8	2,372	3,063
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	2	7	144	1,593
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	4	7	974	1,882
Sheep and lambs sold	478	3	8	1,278	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	3	8	278	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	10,618	4	8	2,092	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	763	3	8	1,140	2,864
Rabbit inventory	737	2	8	109	2,456
Horse and pony inventory	585	5	8	1,380	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	7,118	5	8	2,007	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	5,018	4	8	308	2,473
Land used for vegetables-acres	454	6	8	674	2,741
All nursery-acres	402	8	8	624	2,619
Corn for grain-acres	379	5	8	2,128	2,691

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	236	212	11
\$10,000 or more	119	114	4
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	20,617	18,967	9
Average per farmdollars..	58,077	58,180	-0
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	6,363	2,732	133
Average per farmdollars..	17,924	8,379	114
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	294	271	8
Partnership or corporation	59	49	20
Other	2	6	-67
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	165	157	5
Other	190	169	12
Operators by sex:			
Male	305	289	6
Female	50	37	35
Operators by race:			
White	353	323	9
Black and other races	2	3	-33
Average age of operator	55.3	55.9	-1

(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.