

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
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### Land in farms

Decreased 30 percent from 70,672 acres in 1992 to 49,192 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 32 percent from 245 acres in 1992 to 167 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 3 percent from 121 farms in 1992 to 117 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

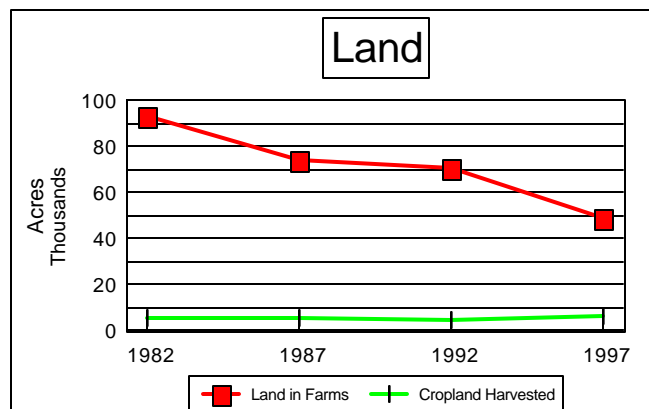
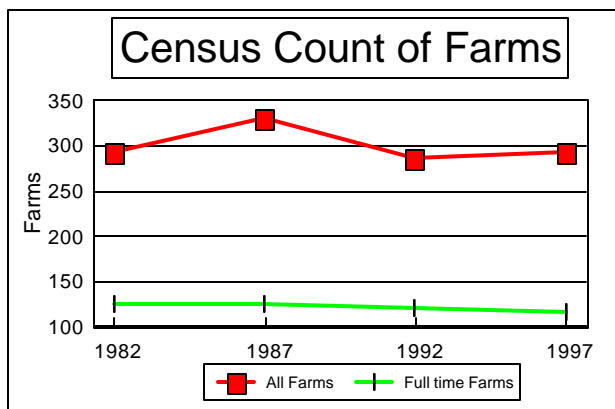
Increased 11 percent to \$6,172,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 60 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 40 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 9 percent from \$19,308 in 1992 to \$20,992 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	6,172	58	67	2,701	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	3,692	54	67	2,274	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	2,480	54	67	2,656	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	1,642	40	67	2,287	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1,596	47	67	783	2,790
Fruits, nuts, berries	(D)	27	64	275	2,547
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	441	19	65	1,722	3,043
Colonies of bees and honey	(D)	18	63	127	1,992
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	2	38	12	1,593
Cattle and calves sold	5,432	41	67	2,098	3,063
Colonies of bees sold	(D)	4	23	73	611
Hogs and pigs sold	375	37	64	2,175	2,976
All goats sold	103	28	62	886	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	9,578	42	67	2,183	3,064
Rabbit inventory	(D)	1	61	17	2,456
Colony of bees inventory	3,766	18	65	155	2,588
All goat inventory	566	16	64	413	2,983
Horse and pony inventory	534	30	67	1,510	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	4,434	20	67	2,364	3,061
Field seeds-acres	1,740	6	26	106	1,212
Cowpeas, dry peas-acres	(D)	3	17	20	177
Land in orchards-acres	352	37	66	571	2,693
All nursery-acres	149	50	66	1,036	2,619

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 .....	206	205	
\$10,000 or more .....	88	83	6
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	4,761	5,762	-17
Average per farm .....dollars..	16,248	20,076	-19
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	1,878	(131)	1534
Average per farm .....dollars..	6,411	(457)	1503
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	256	258	-1
Partnership or corporation .....	33	24	38
Other .....	5	6	-17
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	117	121	-3
Other .....	177	167	6
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	244	241	1
Female .....	50	47	6
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	290	285	2
Black and other races .....	4	3	33
Average age of operator .....	57.1	57.3	-0

(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.