

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Increased 8 percent from 205,573 acres in 1992 to 221,107 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 7 percent from 444 acres in 1992 to 477 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 5 percent from 259 farms in 1992 to 247 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

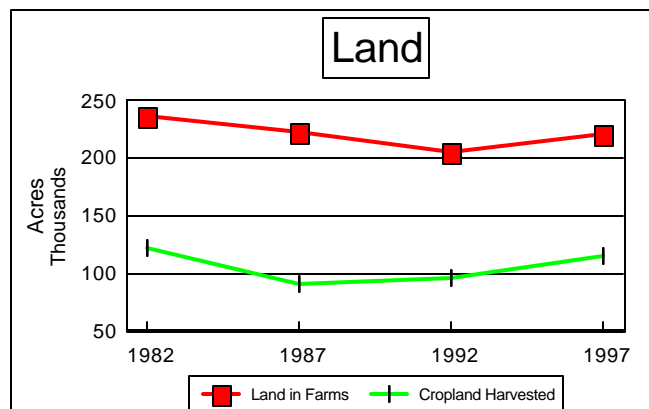
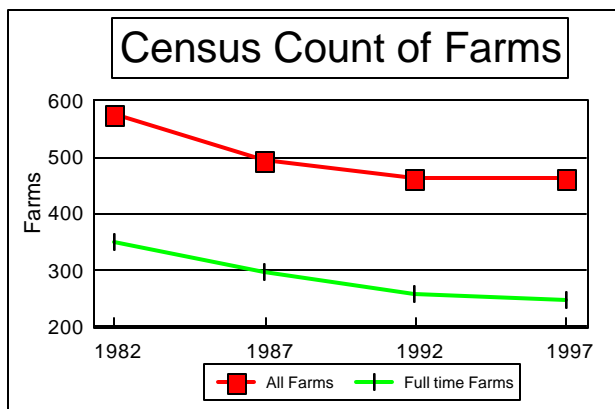
Increased 68 percent to \$141,351,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 49 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 51 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 68 percent from \$181,503 in 1992 to \$304,636 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	141,351	5	159	276	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	72,099	13	159	324	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	69,253	3	159	321	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Poultry & poultry products	59,062	13	142	95	2,901
Cotton, cottonseed	28,347	2	99	50	709
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	14,649	4	111	100	2,237
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	9,118	8	144	115	2,739
Dairy products	6,564	8	117	525	2,563
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	31,355,778	11	101	65	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	64	101	697	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	9	149	686	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	11,144	3	159	1,518	3,063
All goats sold	29	97	145	1,782	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Broiler inventory	2,395,000	23	117	138	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	55	148	655	3,002
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	2	155	480	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	22,267	5	159	1,432	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	242	60	159	2,431	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Cotton-acres	58,394	3	99	58	713
Peanuts-acres	20,370	6	81	16	466
Land in orchards-acres	11,039	3	156	75	2,693
Corn for grain-acres	9,534	15	153	1,098	2,691
Land used for vegetables-acres	4,910	7	144	141	2,741

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 .....	201	185	9
\$10,000 or more .....	263	278	-5
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	100,424	67,495	49
Average per farm .....dollars..	216,432	145,778	48
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	37,960	14,288	166
Average per farm .....dollars..	81,810	30,860	165
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	335	370	-9
Partnership or corporation .....	123	91	35
Other .....	6	2	200
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	247	259	-5
Other .....	217	204	6
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	417	423	-1
Female .....	47	40	18
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	438	445	-2
Black and other races .....	26	18	44
Average age of operator .....	55.0	54.2	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.