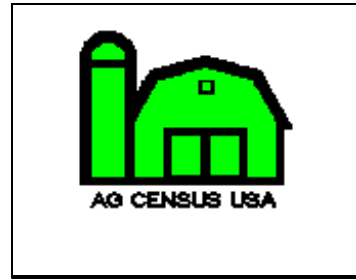


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Land in farms

Decreased 1 percent from 51,836 acres in 1992 to 51,254 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 3 percent from 174 acres in 1992 to 168 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Unchanged from 129 farms in 1992 to 129 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

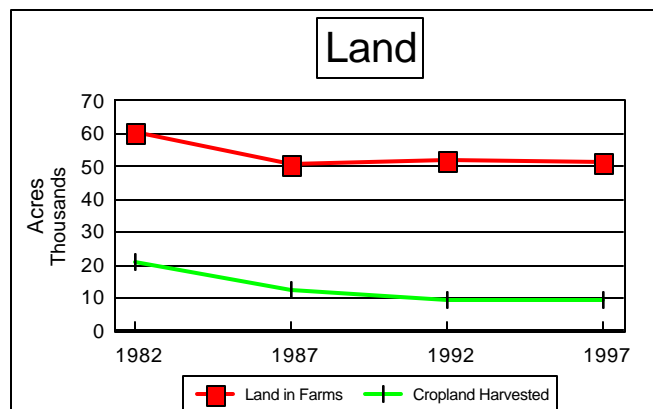
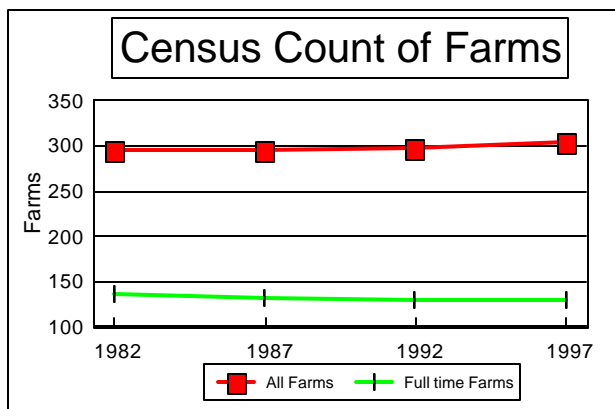
Decreased 12 percent to \$44,026,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 15 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 85 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 14 percent from \$167,072 in 1992 to \$144,348 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	44,026	38	159	1,333	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	37,631	28	159	714	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	6,395	64	159	1,998	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	34,220	26	142	180	2,901
Nursery and greenhouse crops	4,869	15	149	401	2,790
Cattle and calves	1,642	54	159	2,287	3,063
Dairy products	1,014	43	117	1,405	2,563
Hogs and pigs	(D)	47	149	1,176	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	13,145,461	28	101	150	1,882
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	2	79	9	2,200
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	107,460	46	101	455	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	46	149	1,200	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	5,424	43	159	2,100	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	2,240,132	24	117	148	2,620
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	1	126	5	2,884
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	314,909	18	148	221	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	12,254	34	159	1,965	3,064
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	28	64	349	1,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	5,667	28	159	2,179	3,061
Cotton-acres	(D)	76	99	471	713
Rye for grain-acres	(D)	11	102	57	1,207
Soybeans for beans-acres	481	88	123	1,727	2,144
Wheat-acres	335	96	135	2,016	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	188	168	12
\$10,000 or more	117	130	-10
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	35,656	43,709	-18
Average per farmdollars..	115,767	147,665	-22
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	7,735	5,732	35
Average per farmdollars..	25,112	19,365	30
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	257	263	-2
Partnership or corporation	41	30	37
Other	7	5	40
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	129	129	
Other	176	169	4
Operators by sex:			
Male	259	274	-5
Female	46	24	92
Operators by race:			
White	300	294	2
Black and other races	5	4	25
Average age of operator	54.9	53.0	4

(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.