

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Decreased 11 percent from 78,739 acres in 1992 to 70,445 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 4 percent from 226 acres in 1992 to 217 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 3 percent from 156 farms in 1992 to 151 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

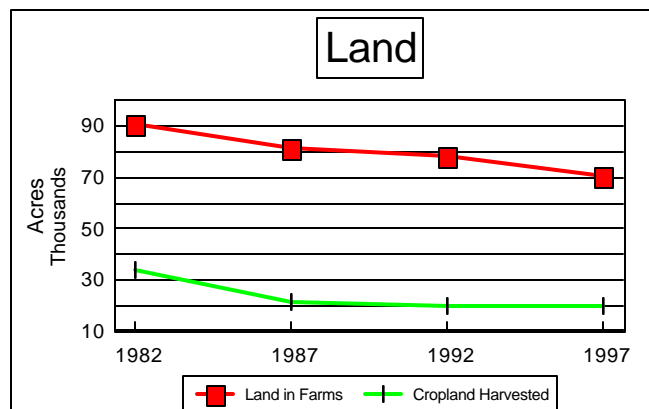
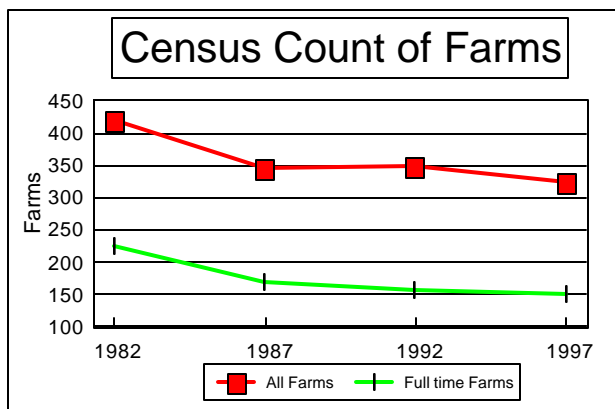
Increased 88 percent to \$34,904,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 32 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 68 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 102 percent from \$53,225 in 1992 to \$107,729 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	34,904	52	159	1,574	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	23,754	37	159	1,085	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	11,150	48	159	1,689	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Poultry & poultry products	21,352	35	142	264	2,901
Tobacco	3,691	15	56	188	580
Cotton, cottonseed	2,601	51	99	307	709
Fruits, nuts, berries	1,853	15	153	238	2,547
Dairy products	1,073	41	117	1,372	2,563
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	2,540,000	65	101	357	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	433,220	22	101	199	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	18,621	16	149	834	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	1,922	112	159	2,666	3,063
All goats sold	14	117	145	2,164	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	875,201	6	148	91	3,002
Broiler inventory	520,000	58	117	323	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	4,644	103	159	2,614	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	4,397	33	155	1,057	3,005
All goat inventory	196	70	157	1,185	2,983
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Cotton-acres	5,552	53	99	323	713
Corn for grain-acres	5,344	27	153	1,295	2,691
Hay crops-acres	2,419	87	159	2,646	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	2,389	44	123	1,370	2,144
Total berries-acres	(D)	1	105	29	2,058

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 .....	162	169	-4
\$10,000 or more .....	162	180	-10
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	27,821	14,115	97
Average per farm .....dollars..	86,133	40,446	113
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	6,351	4,429	43
Average per farm .....dollars..	19,663	12,690	55
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	299	314	-5
Partnership or corporation .....	25	33	-24
Other .....	-	2	-100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	151	156	-3
Other .....	173	193	-10
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	290	310	-6
Female .....	34	39	-13
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	318	343	-7
Black and other races .....	6	6	
Average age of operator .....	55.9	52.5	6

(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.