

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Increased 1 percent from 193,908 acres in 1992 to 196,584 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 10 percent from 582 acres in 1992 to 638 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 211 farms in 1992 to 189 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

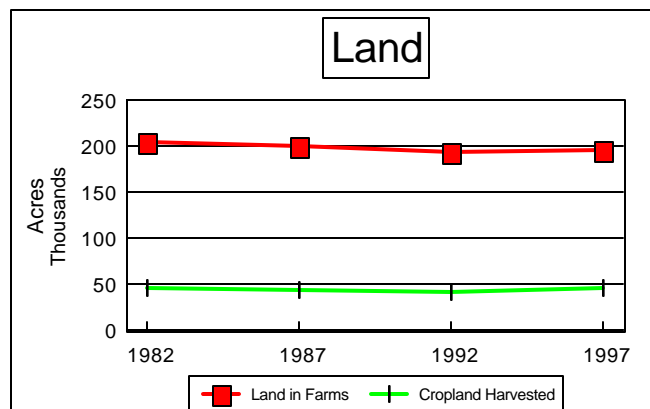
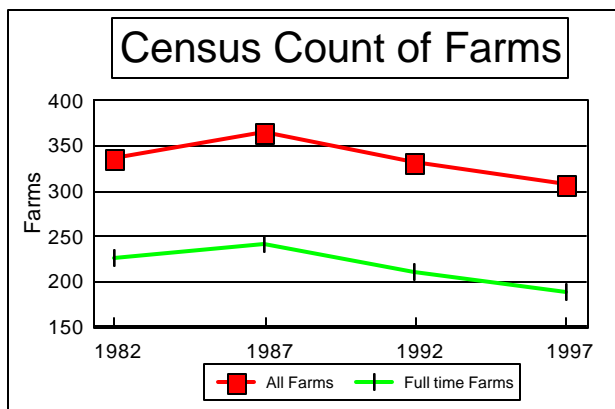
Increased slightly

Crop sales accounted for 9 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 91 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 9 percent from \$56,025 in 1992 to \$60,981 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                   | 18,782   | 31    | 44        | 2,154 | 3,076     |
| Value of livestock and poultry                              | 17,162   | 17    | 44        | 1,392 | 3,069     |
| Value of crops including nursery                            | 1,620    | 40    | 44        | 2,586 | 3,070     |
| <b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>  |          |       |           |       |           |
| Cattle and calves                                           | 15,435   | 13    | 44        | 575   | 3,063     |
| Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds                       | 1,571    | 34    | 44        | 545   | 3,043     |
| Dairy products                                              | 1,193    | 23    | 39        | 1,321 | 2,563     |
| Horses and ponies                                           | 243      | 16    | 44        | 628   | 3,015     |
| Sheep, lambs, and wool                                      | 213      | 23    | 43        | 398   | 2,787     |
| <b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>       |          |       |           |       |           |
| Cattle and calves sold                                      | 31,136   | 12    | 44        | 610   | 3,063     |
| Sheep and lambs sold                                        | 2,437    | 21    | 43        | 390   | 2,765     |
| Horses and ponies sold                                      | 134      | 17    | 44        | 665   | 3,015     |
| Hogs and pigs sold                                          | 105      | 31    | 42        | 2,560 | 2,976     |
| All goats sold                                              | (D)      | 13    | 36        | 1,239 | 2,686     |
| <b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>  |          |       |           |       |           |
| Cattle and calves inventory                                 | 54,102   | 11    | 44        | 537   | 3,064     |
| Horse and pony inventory                                    | 2,272    | 6     | 44        | 169   | 3,066     |
| Sheep and lamb inventory                                    | 2,002    | 24    | 43        | 538   | 2,864     |
| Colony of bees inventory                                    | (D)      | 19    | 34        | 377   | 2,588     |
| Layers 20 weeks and older inventory                         | 196      | 27    | 42        | 2,321 | 3,002     |
| <b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>                     |          |       |           |       |           |
| Hay crops-acres                                             | 46,392   | 8     | 44        | 322   | 3,061     |
| Barley-acres                                                | 487      | 40    | 43        | 500   | 1,411     |
| Oats-acres                                                  | 441      | 14    | 43        | 1,032 | 2,332     |
| Land in orchards-acres                                      | 20       | 16    | 31        | 1,873 | 2,693     |
| Land used for vegetables-acres                              | (D)      | 30    | 30        | 2,660 | 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 .....                       | 120    | 139    | -14            |
| \$10,000 or more .....                         | 188    | 194    | -3             |
| Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..  | 13,922 | 13,888 | 0              |
| Average per farm .....dollars..                | 45,056 | 41,706 | 8              |
| <b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b> |        |        |                |
| for the farm unit .....\$1,000..               | 5,868  | 3,599  | 63             |
| Average per farm .....dollars..                | 18,989 | 10,808 | 76             |
| <b>Farms by type of organization:</b>          |        |        |                |
| Individual or family .....                     | 254    | 271    | -6             |
| Partnership or corporation .....               | 49     | 55     | -11            |
| Other .....                                    | 5      | 7      | -29            |
| <b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>                |        |        |                |
| <b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>      |        |        |                |
| Farming .....                                  | 189    | 211    | -10            |
| Other .....                                    | 119    | 122    | -2             |
| <b>Operators by sex:</b>                       |        |        |                |
| Male .....                                     | 281    | 310    | -9             |
| Female .....                                   | 27     | 23     | 17             |
| <b>Operators by race:</b>                      |        |        |                |
| White .....                                    | 304    | 331    | -8             |
| Black and other races .....                    | 4      | 2      | 100            |
| Average age of operator .....                  | 53.3   | 54.8   | -3             |

(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.