

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 20 percent from 556,131 acres in 1992 to 443,184 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 26 percent from 1,228 acres in 1992 to 906 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 5 percent from 305 farms in 1992 to 290 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

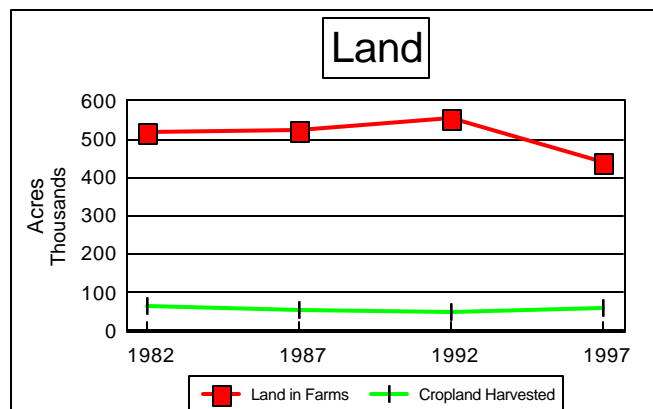
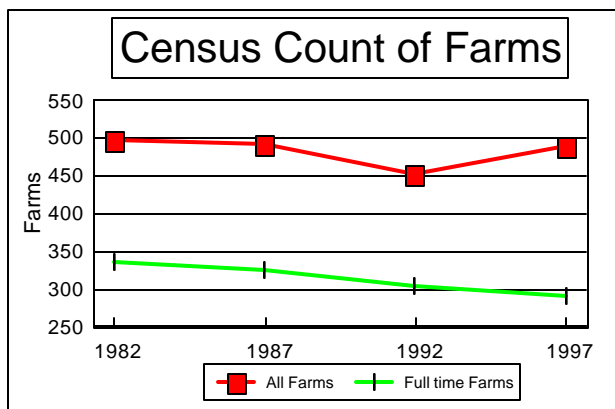
Increased 13 percent to \$38,816,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 61 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 39 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 4 percent from \$76,069 in 1992 to \$79,379 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	38,816	20	44	1,467	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	23,590	22	44	1,128	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	15,226	19	44	1,497	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	11,373	17	44	802	3,063
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	10,149	2	30	105	2,739
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	4,713	22	38	235	2,237
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	4,218	17	44	138	3,043
Wheat	3,132	29	42	522	2,578
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	22,694	16	44	863	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	19,610	6	43	69	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	344	5	44	140	3,015
Hogs and pigs sold	259	21	42	2,312	2,976
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	12	21	1,475	1,882
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	42,470	14	44	758	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	15,687	7	43	100	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	1,245	20	44	534	3,066
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	20	34	411	2,588
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	429	14	42	1,806	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	35,141	15	44	531	3,061
Wheat-acres	12,454	27	42	686	2,612
Barley-acres	3,160	31	43	221	1,411
Land used for vegetables-acres	2,886	5	30	220	2,741
Sugarbeets, sugar-acres	1,835	15	17	98	199

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	226	191	18
\$10,000 or more	263	262	
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	30,388	29,145	4
Average per farmdollars..	61,891	64,195	-4
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	8,269	5,516	50
Average per farmdollars..	16,842	12,149	39
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	429	368	17
Partnership or corporation	55	81	-32
Other	5	4	25
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	290	305	-5
Other	199	148	34
Operators by sex:			
Male	450	427	5
Female	39	26	50
Operators by race:			
White	474	438	8
Black and other races	15	15	
Average age of operator	53.5	53.2	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.