

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 4 percent from 40,917 acres in 1992 to 39,410 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 4 percent from 160 acres in 1992 to 166 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 19 percent from 127 farms in 1992 to 103 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

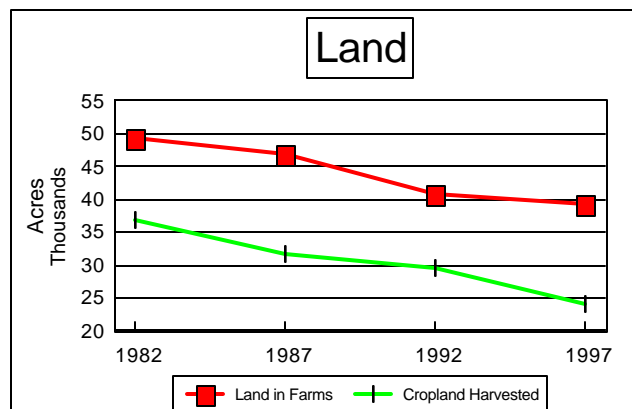
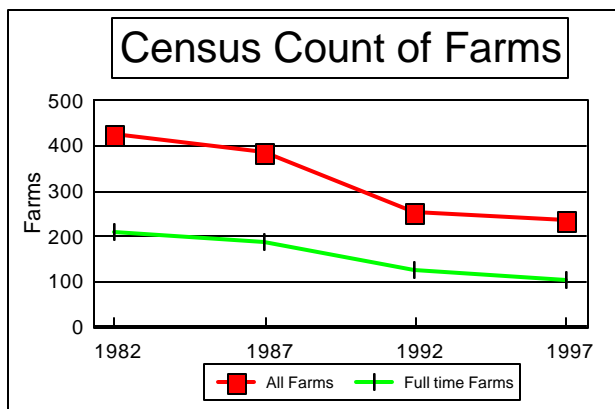
Increased 5 percent to \$21,387,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 97 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 3 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 13 percent from \$79,824 in 1992 to \$90,238 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	21,387	92	102	2,050	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	20,787	91	102	1,231	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	600	100	102	2,942	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	13,635	8	100	155	2,790
Corn for grain	2,658	97	102	1,019	2,582
Soybeans	2,358	99	102	940	2,136
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	1,758	13	99	385	2,739
Horses and ponies	340	8	102	451	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	17	78	393	2,200
Colonies of bees sold	766	1	14	61	611
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	102	102	2,237	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	290	101	102	2,973	3,063
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	48	71	1,581	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	9	98	238	2,884
Horse and pony inventory	1,173	6	102	581	3,066
Colony of bees inventory	532	4	92	590	2,588
Cattle and calves inventory	438	101	102	2,989	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	220	78	101	2,261	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	10,084	99	102	996	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	8,497	98	102	1,132	2,691
Hay crops-acres	4,085	77	102	2,414	3,061
Land used for vegetables-acres	1,094	16	99	430	2,741
All nursery-acres	885	13	99	336	2,619

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	138	127	9
\$10,000 or more	99	129	-23
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	14,622	17,798	-18
Average per farmdollars..	61,437	69,254	-11
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	4,405	3,517	25
Average per farmdollars..	18,508	13,687	35
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	153	190	-19
Partnership or corporation	76	65	17
Other	8	1	700
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	103	127	-19
Other	134	129	4
Operators by sex:			
Male	199	233	-15
Female	38	23	65
Operators by race:			
White	229	254	-10
Black and other races	8	2	300
Average age of operator	58.5	56.1	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.