

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 2 percent from 377,512 acres in 1992 to 368,076 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 11 percent from 401 acres in 1992 to 445 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 15 percent from 667 farms in 1992 to 564 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

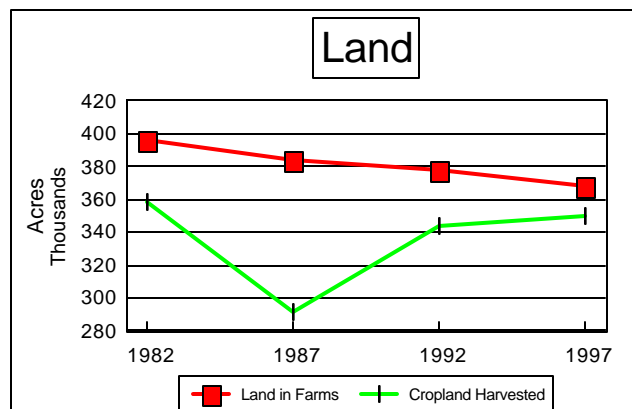
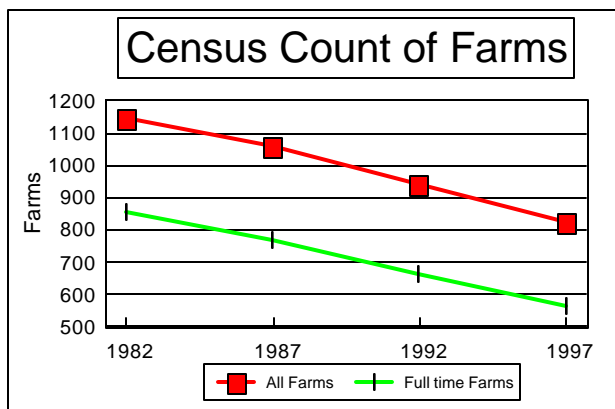
Increased 16 percent to \$183,396,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 62 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 38 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 32 percent from \$167,610 in 1992 to \$221,493 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	183,396	6	102	159	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	113,121	11	102	112	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	70,275	4	102	331	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Corn for grain	64,463	11	102	20	2,582
Soybeans	40,288	15	102	45	2,136
Hogs and pigs	38,752	3	102	64	2,976
Cattle and calves	28,204	3	102	260	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	5,063	17	100	387	2,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	319,878	4	102	89	2,976
Turkeys sold (D)		10	45	292	1,353
Cattle and calves sold	37,982	4	102	457	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	1,959	7	100	485	2,765
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (D)		19	71	959	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	154,403	2	102	80	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	27,072	14	102	1,234	3,064
All turkeys inventory (D)		13	83	334	2,361
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,971	9	101	554	2,864
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	604	43	101	1,529	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	201,709	12	102	25	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	136,174	19	102	87	2,144
Hay crops-acres	4,340	73	102	2,381	3,061
Land used for vegetables-acres	3,631	5	99	180	2,741
Corn for silage-acres	3,208	9	99	462	2,473

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	131	134	-2
\$10,000 or more	697	808	-14
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	132,720	127,207	4
Average per farmdollars..	159,904	135,326	18
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	42,853	24,853	72
Average per farmdollars..	51,630	26,440	95
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	673	742	-9
Partnership or corporation	143	189	-24
Other	12	11	9
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	564	667	-15
Other	264	275	-4
Operators by sex:			
Male	777	900	-14
Female	51	42	21
Operators by race:			
White	827	942	-12
Black and other races	1	-	
Average age of operator	52.2	51.1	2

(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.