

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
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Land in farms

Decreased 6 percent from 18,206 acres in 1992 to 17,103 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 4 percent from 192 acres in 1992 to 184 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 13 percent from 45 farms in 1992 to 39 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

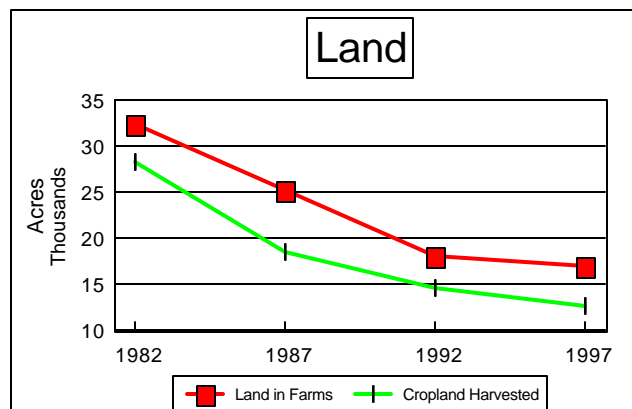
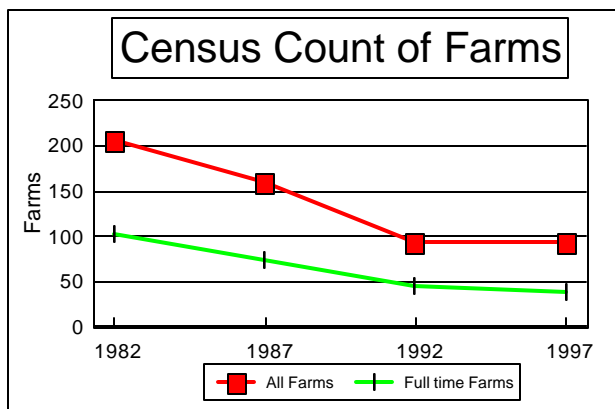
Decreased 13 percent to \$17,637,000 in 1997.

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

Decreased 11 percent from \$214,199 in 1992 to \$189,644 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	17,637	96	102	2,197	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	17,052	93	102	1,393	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	585	101	102	2,944	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	13,422	9	100	157	2,790
Corn for grain	(D)	99	102	1,116	2,582
Soybeans	1,388	101	102	1,094	2,136
Mink or their pelts	(D)	4	8	59	191
Horses and ponies	(D)	41	102	1,435	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Mink and their pelts sold	(D)	3	8	59	191
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	100	102	2,003	2,976
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	13	58	552	1,593
Cattle and calves sold	89	102	102	3,028	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	65	78	1,694	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	764	31	98	800	2,884
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	99	102	2,019	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	272	72	102	2,310	3,066
Cattle and calves inventory	160	102	102	3,034	3,064
Rabbit inventory	(D)	20	94	661	2,456
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	6,461	100	102	1,221	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	5,188	101	102	1,198	2,144
Hay crops-acres	395	102	102	2,970	3,061
Wheat-acres	274	99	102	2,064	2,612
All nursery-acres	163	36	99	996	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	42	40	5
\$10,000 or more	51	55	-7
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	15,583	13,829	13
Average per farmdollars..	167,557	145,571	15
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	2,054	6,038	-66
Average per farmdollars..	22,087	63,553	-65
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	52	61	-15
Partnership or corporation	39	33	18
Other	2	1	100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	39	45	-13
Other	54	50	8
Operators by sex:			
Male	85	84	1
Female	8	11	-27
Operators by race:			
White	91	95	-4
Black and other races	2	-	
Average age of operator	55.8	55.2	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.