

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service



EFFINGHAM ILLINOIS

Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 257,761 acres in 1992 to 256,786 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 10 percent from 226 acres in 1992 to 248 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 18 percent from 599 farms in 1992 to 494 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

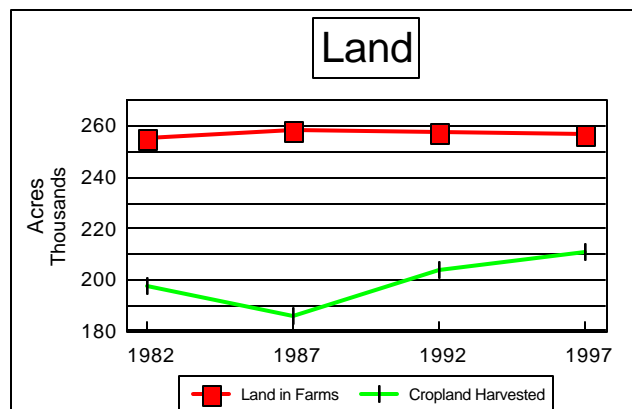
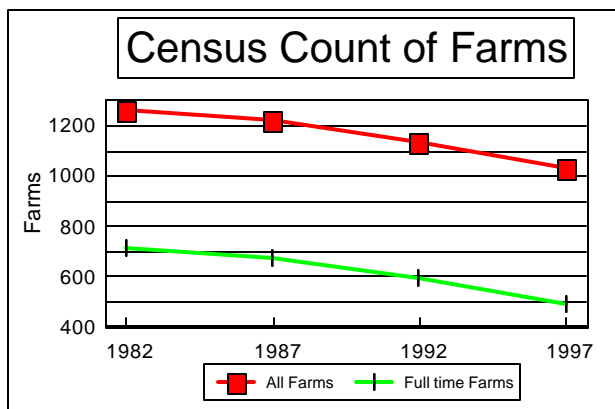
Increased 11 percent to \$79,036,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 57 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 43 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 22 percent from \$62,542 in 1992 to \$76,363 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	79,036	47	102	717	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	45,133	61	102	616	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	33,903	18	102	789	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Soybeans	22,240	54	102	238	2,136
Hogs and pigs	18,246	19	102	195	2,976
Corn for grain	17,985	67	102	376	2,582
Dairy products	10,370	6	92	367	2,563
Cattle and calves	4,993	29	102	1,463	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	163,001	20	102	215	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	9,673	30	102	1,633	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	19	78	411	2,200
Sheep and lambs sold	601	30	100	1,136	2,765
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	26	71	1,120	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	99,835	14	102	161	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	21,844	17	102	1,451	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	4,513	11	98	263	2,884
Sheep and lamb inventory	846	29	101	1,068	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	721	20	102	1,126	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	93,641	49	102	237	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	87,605	55	102	260	2,691
Wheat-acres	20,403	16	102	530	2,612
Hay crops-acres	11,722	22	102	1,536	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	3,067	12	99	481	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	327	367	-11
\$10,000 or more	708	773	-8
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	55,856	51,409	9
Average per farmdollars..	53,967	45,175	19
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	19,114	21,516	-11
Average per farmdollars..	18,468	18,907	-2
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	886	956	-7
Partnership or corporation	146	179	-18
Other	3	5	-40
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	494	599	-18
Other	541	541	
Operators by sex:			
Male	1,009	1,100	-8
Female	26	40	-35
Operators by race:			
White	1,034	1,139	-9
Black and other races	1	1	
Average age of operator	50.5	50.0	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.