

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service



FULTON ILLINOIS

Land in farms

Decreased 2 percent from 431,415 acres in 1992 to 424,942 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 4 percent from 370 acres in 1992 to 386 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 11 percent from 693 farms in 1992 to 617 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

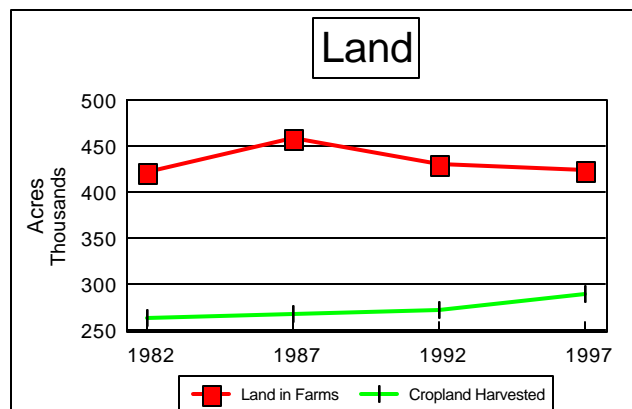
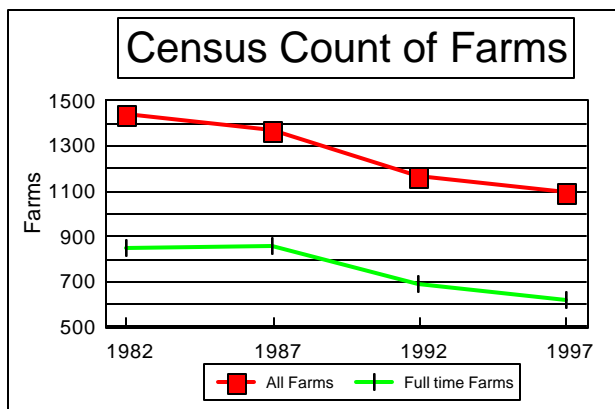
Increased 15 percent to \$98,853,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 81 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 19 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 22 percent from \$73,492 in 1992 to \$89,785 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	98,853	37	102	525	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	79,955	32	102	238	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	18,899	37	102	1,307	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Corn for grain	43,665	29	102	87	2,582
Soybeans	33,913	28	102	90	2,136
Hogs and pigs	9,397	39	102	348	2,976
Cattle and calves	9,025	17	102	979	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	1,152	10	102	794	3,043
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	77,599	40	102	395	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	17,013	16	102	1,142	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	1,659	25	78	636	2,200
Sheep and lambs sold	1,179	17	100	728	2,765
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	30	71	1,226	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	38,001	43	102	386	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	34,515	8	102	973	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	1,419	22	98	560	2,884
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,357	16	101	750	2,864
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,169	29	101	1,120	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	142,390	27	102	98	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	128,347	23	102	105	2,144
Hay crops-acres	15,106	11	102	1,302	3,061
Wheat-acres	6,488	39	102	933	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	1,129	31	99	982	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	353	389	-9
\$10,000 or more	748	776	-4
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	62,690	61,590	2
Average per farmdollars..	56,939	52,958	8
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	30,502	23,218	31
Average per farmdollars..	27,704	19,964	39
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	902	985	-8
Partnership or corporation	191	173	10
Other	8	7	14
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	617	693	-11
Other	484	472	3
Operators by sex:			
Male	1,041	1,104	-6
Female	60	61	-2
Operators by race:			
White	1,100	1,158	-5
Black and other races	1	7	-86
Average age of operator	54.4	53.0	3

(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.