

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 1 percent from 182,572 acres in 1992 to 180,064 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased slightly from 290 acres in 1992 to 292 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 337 farms in 1992 to 302 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

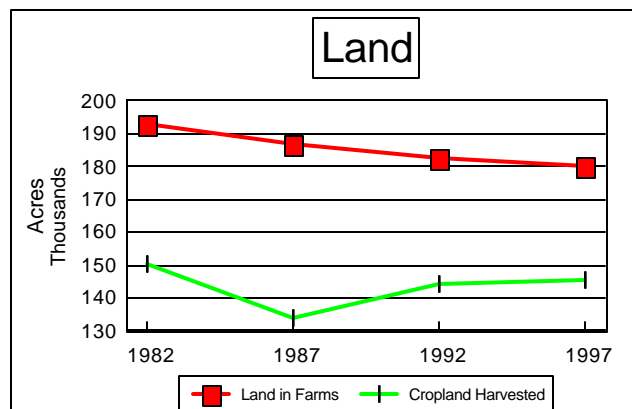
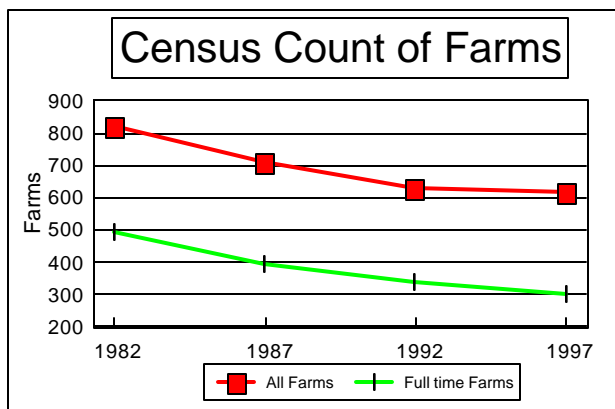
Increased 5 percent to \$45,785,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 73 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 27 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 7 percent from \$69,393 in 1992 to \$74,326 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	45,785	76	102	1,292	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	33,644	77	102	858	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	12,141	53	102	1,694	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Soybeans	15,104	72	102	402	2,136
Corn for grain	12,142	79	102	498	2,582
Dairy products	5,356	9	92	609	2,563
Wheat	5,049	8	102	368	2,578
Hogs and pigs	4,626	63	102	554	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	46,589	59	102	547	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	4,694	60	102	2,210	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	342	53	100	1,459	2,765
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	146	36	71	1,305	2,203
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	57	78	1,513	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	19,221	71	102	611	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	10,421	52	102	2,108	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	569	46	101	1,578	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	316	65	101	1,651	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	271	73	102	2,316	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	66,891	67	102	390	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	47,588	81	102	526	2,691
Wheat-acres	29,204	8	102	437	2,612
Hay crops-acres	7,653	36	102	1,943	3,061
Sorghum for grain-acres	2,725	9	68	369	1,508

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	271	225	20
\$10,000 or more	345	404	-15
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	29,075	31,118	-7
Average per farmdollars..	47,123	49,473	-5
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	13,478	12,977	4
Average per farmdollars..	21,844	20,632	6
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	534	547	-2
Partnership or corporation	77	81	-5
Other	5	1	400
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	302	337	-10
Other	314	292	8
Operators by sex:			
Male	580	610	-5
Female	36	19	89
Operators by race:			
White	615	627	-2
Black and other races	1	2	-50
Average age of operator	51.7	49.1	5

(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.