

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service



HAMILTON ILLINOIS

Land in farms

Increased 7 percent from 201,567 acres in 1992 to 214,780 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 11 percent from 430 acres in 1992 to 381 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 6 percent from 273 farms in 1992 to 257 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

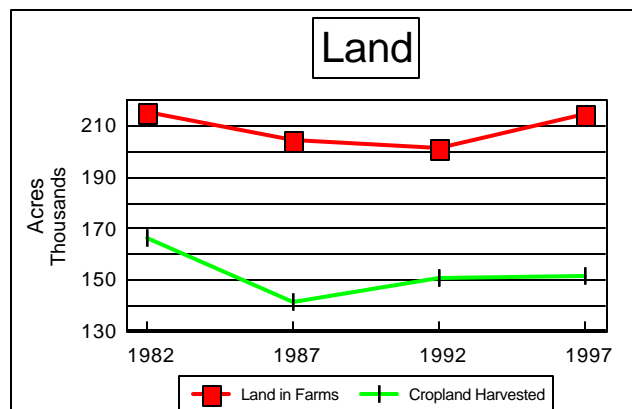
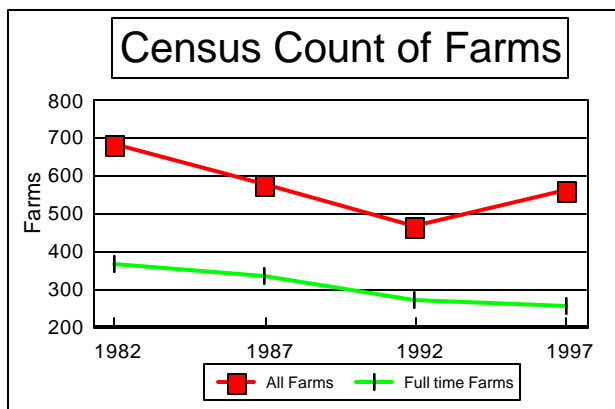
Increased 19 percent to \$38,810,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 94 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 6 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased slightly from \$69,342 in 1992 to \$68,934 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	38,810	81	102	1,469	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	36,305	72	102	800	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	2,505	95	102	2,650	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Soybeans	17,576	65	102	353	2,136
Corn for grain	14,804	76	102	444	2,582
Wheat	2,803	20	102	553	2,578
Hogs and pigs	1,686	90	102	867	2,976
Cattle and calves	678	98	102	2,684	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	24,461	83	102	762	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	1,725	96	102	2,695	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	57	78	1,513	2,200
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	95	100	2,425	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	5	102	102	2,877	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	12,777	82	102	729	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	3,865	91	102	2,670	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	383	41	98	1,158	2,884
Horse and pony inventory	246	77	102	2,418	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	86	93	101	2,683	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	73,549	61	102	345	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	56,331	74	102	471	2,691
Wheat-acres	18,418	20	102	560	2,612
Hay crops-acres	4,183	75	102	2,402	3,061
Popcorn-acres	2,159	4	62	38	534

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	308	191	61
\$10,000 or more	255	278	-8
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	23,032	22,656	2
Average per farmdollars..	40,981	48,204	-15
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	11,177	10,550	6
Average per farmdollars..	19,888	22,447	-11
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	504	412	22
Partnership or corporation	52	57	-9
Other	7	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	257	273	-6
Other	306	196	56
Operators by sex:			
Male	535	450	19
Female	28	19	47
Operators by race:			
White	563	469	20
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	54.0	50.1	8

(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.