

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service



MONTGOMERY ILLINOIS

Land in farms

Decreased 3 percent from 371,936 acres in 1992 to 361,022 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 9 percent from 337 acres in 1992 to 368 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 17 percent from 684 farms in 1992 to 569 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

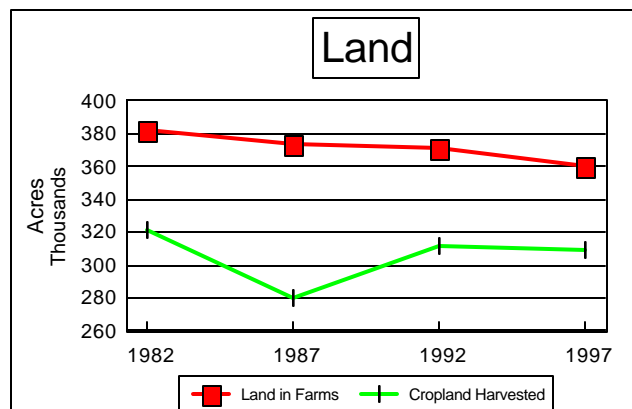
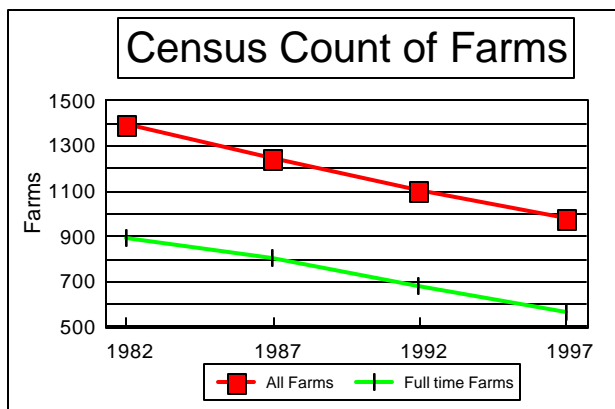
Increased 11 percent to \$109,153,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 78 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 22 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 26 percent from \$88,732 in 1992 to \$111,381 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	109,153	28	102	440	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	85,306	27	102	208	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	23,847	28	102	1,080	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Corn for grain	43,916	27	102	85	2,582
Soybeans	34,989	25	102	81	2,136
Hogs and pigs	17,174	22	102	212	2,976
Cattle and calves	4,421	35	102	1,555	3,063
Wheat	4,153	11	102	430	2,578
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	171,645	18	102	206	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	8,010	38	102	1,797	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	427	46	100	1,344	2,765
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	100	41	71	1,413	2,203
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	34	51	1,449	1,882
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	67,370	27	102	241	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	13,335	40	102	1,884	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	2,145	20	101	946	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	434	51	101	1,475	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	365	58	102	1,986	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	143,560	26	102	97	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	139,080	18	102	77	2,144
Wheat-acres	23,369	12	102	489	2,612
Hay crops-acres	6,602	48	102	2,079	3,061
Sorghum for grain-acres	1,493	14	68	447	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	275	285	-4
\$10,000 or more	705	819	-14
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	67,443	64,816	4
Average per farmdollars..	68,820	58,764	17
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	30,830	31,728	-3
Average per farmdollars..	31,459	28,765	9
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	801	932	-14
Partnership or corporation	174	168	4
Other	5	4	25
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	569	684	-17
Other	411	420	-2
Operators by sex:			
Male	926	1,071	-14
Female	54	33	64
Operators by race:			
White	973	1,100	-12
Black and other races	7	4	75
Average age of operator	52.3	51.2	2

(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.