

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Increased 2 percent from 261,482 acres in 1992 to 267,283 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 6 percent from 273 acres in 1992 to 289 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 9 percent from 506 farms in 1992 to 461 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

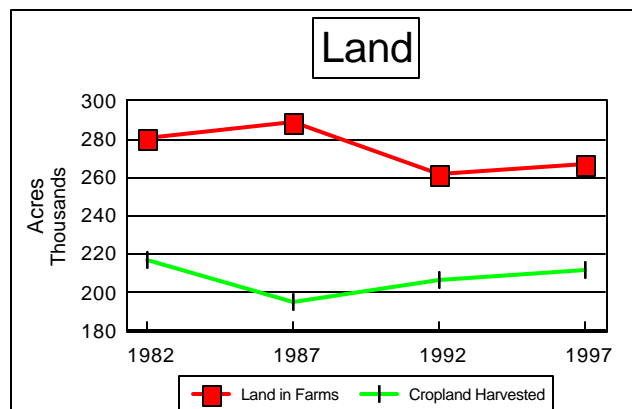
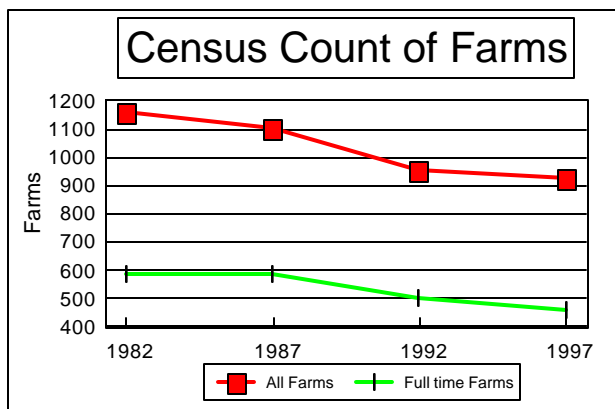
Increased 21 percent to \$77,189,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 86 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 14 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 25 percent from \$66,796 in 1992 to \$83,538 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	77,189	49	102	740	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	66,634	42	102	349	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	10,555	56	102	1,821	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Corn for grain	35,832	41	102	138	2,582
Soybeans	25,705	43	102	185	2,136
Hogs and pigs	4,770	60	102	546	2,976
Cattle and calves	4,585	33	102	1,516	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	3,150	21	100	547	2,790
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	40,921	66	102	600	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	7,757	40	102	1,817	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	553	35	100	1,174	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	127	11	102	716	3,015
All goats sold	53	32	88	1,392	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs inventory	22,577	61	102	549	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	13,049	41	102	1,901	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	917	11	102	836	3,066
Sheep and lamb inventory	689	38	101	1,199	2,864
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	520	37	98	1,004	2,884
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	108,238	42	102	185	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	89,877	51	102	258	2,144
Hay crops-acres	9,023	31	102	1,808	3,061
Wheat-acres	3,616	57	102	1,205	2,612
All nursery-acres	1,190	11	99	254	2,619

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	344	365	-6
\$10,000 or more .....	580	592	-2
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	49,478	44,582	11
Average per farm .....dollars..	53,548	46,585	15
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	25,559	19,211	33
Average per farm .....dollars..	27,661	20,074	38
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	804	820	-2
Partnership or corporation .....	110	126	-13
Other .....	10	11	-9
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	461	506	-9
Other .....	463	451	3
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	857	905	-5
Female .....	67	52	29
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	922	955	-3
Black and other races .....	2	2	
Average age of operator .....	54.5	53.6	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.