

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
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### Land in farms

Increased slightly from 251,277 acres in 1992 to 253,317 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 15 percent from 492 acres in 1992 to 565 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 14 percent from 370 farms in 1992 to 319 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

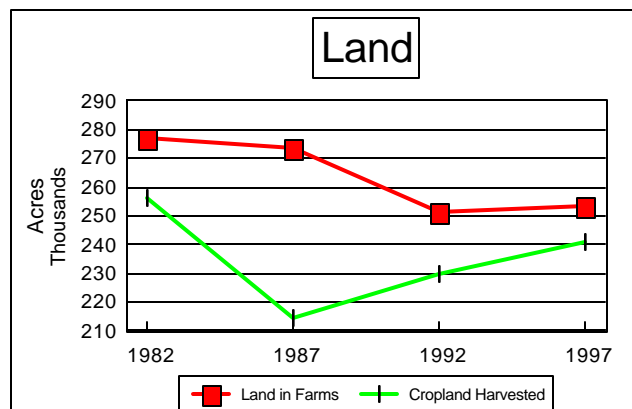
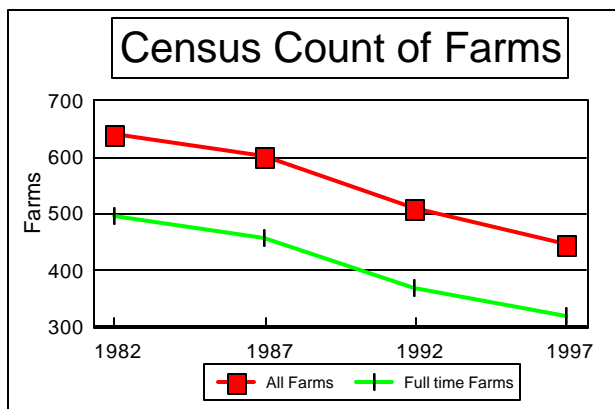
Increased 19 percent to \$83,439,000 in 1997.

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

Increased 35 percent from \$137,500 in 1992 to \$186,248 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	83,439	45	102	663	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	78,165	33	102	247	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	5,275	84	102	2,330	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Corn for grain	42,646	30	102	92	2,582
Soybeans	34,962	27	102	83	2,136
Hogs and pigs	4,159	70	102	599	2,976
Cattle and calves	757	96	102	2,659	3,063
Horses and ponies	(D)	17	102	748	3,015
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	33,130	72	102	669	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	1,271	99	102	2,780	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	172	73	100	1,791	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	39	51	1,674	1,882
Horses and ponies sold	15	92	102	2,591	3,015
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs inventory	15,839	79	102	665	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	2,860	99	102	2,756	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	162	78	101	1,958	2,864
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	152	85	101	2,456	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	138	96	102	2,758	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Soybeans for beans-acres	120,098	29	102	127	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	120,007	37	102	145	2,691
Hay crops-acres	1,387	101	102	2,808	3,061
Wheat-acres	927	89	102	1,686	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	247	78	99	1,746	2,473

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 .....	55	70	-21
\$10,000 or more .....	393	441	-11
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	46,846	40,490	16
Average per farm .....dollars..	104,800	79,391	32
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	32,750	26,031	26
Average per farm .....dollars..	73,266	51,042	44
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	377	431	-13
Partnership or corporation .....	67	73	-8
Other .....	4	7	-43
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	319	370	-14
Other .....	129	141	-9
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	423	479	-12
Female .....	25	32	-22
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	448	511	-12
Black and other races .....			
Average age of operator .....	54.9	53.1	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.