

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 8 percent from 209,437 acres in 1992 to 192,156 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 6 percent from 488 acres in 1992 to 461 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 12 percent from 291 farms in 1992 to 257 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

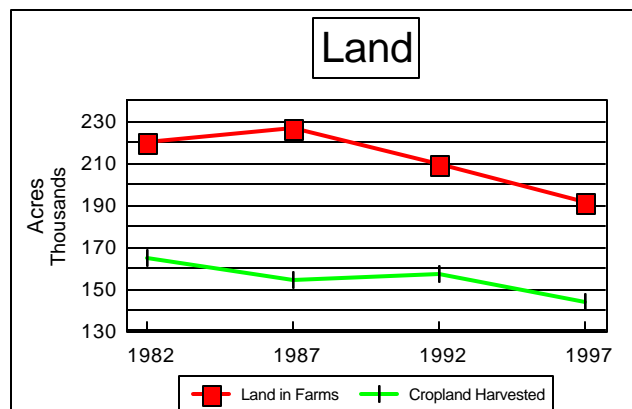
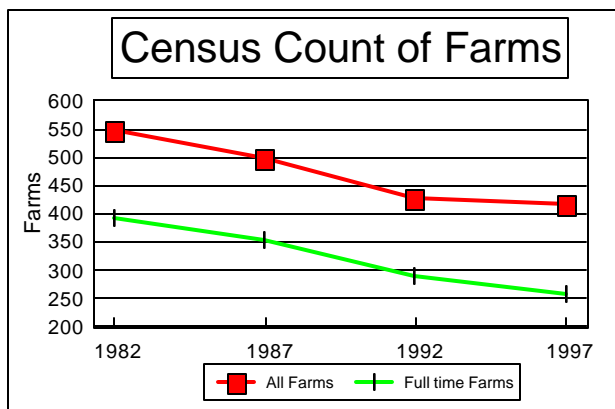
Increased 20 percent to \$74,171,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 56 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 44 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 23 percent from \$144,290 in 1992 to \$177,869 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	74,171	50	102	774	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	41,608	66	102	695	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	32,564	21	102	827	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Hogs and pigs	29,236	7	102	103	2,976
Corn for grain	23,329	58	102	272	2,582
Soybeans	16,285	69	102	378	2,136
Cattle and calves	3,285	48	102	1,792	3,063
Wheat	976	45	102	921	2,578
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	252,357	8	102	124	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	5,737	50	102	2,051	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	122	81	100	1,937	2,765
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	29	58	856	1,593
Horses and ponies sold	16	89	102	2,555	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	116,346	8	102	127	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	7,805	66	102	2,341	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	8	92	803	2,588
Sheep and lamb inventory	189	76	101	1,890	2,864
Rabbit inventory	(D)	20	94	661	2,456
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	73,573	64	102	335	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	61,693	73	102	431	2,144
Wheat-acres	5,929	45	102	983	2,612
Hay crops-acres	2,730	91	102	2,608	3,061
All nursery-acres	480	18	99	553	2,619

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	136	94	45
\$10,000 or more	281	335	-16
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	49,148	43,223	14
Average per farmdollars..	118,145	100,286	18
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	22,625	20,466	11
Average per farmdollars..	54,388	47,484	15
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	343	334	3
Partnership or corporation	73	95	-23
Other	1	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	257	291	-12
Other	160	138	16
Operators by sex:			
Male	394	405	-3
Female	23	24	-4
Operators by race:			
White	417	429	-3
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	54.8	52.5	4

(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.