

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 488,215 acres in 1992 to 484,846 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 12 percent from 439 acres in 1992 to 493 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 16 percent from 739 farms in 1992 to 623 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

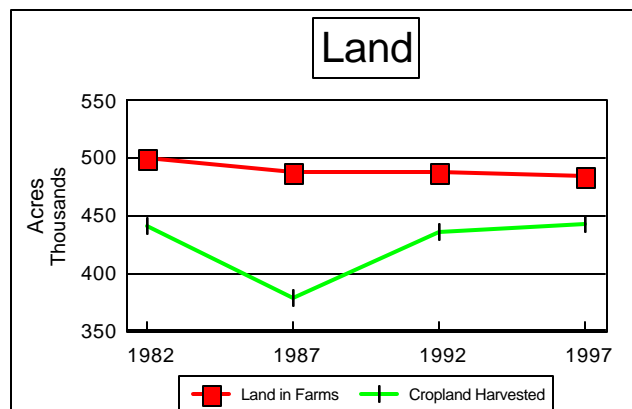
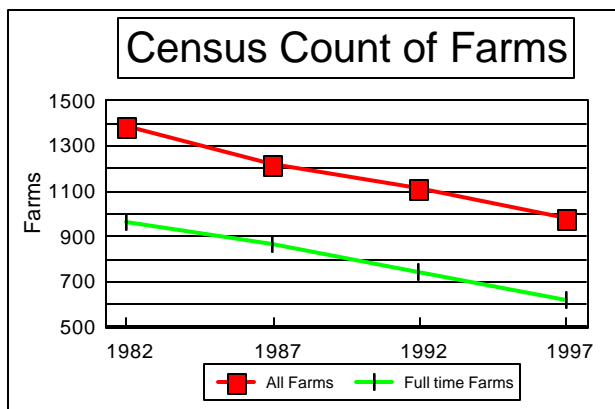
Increased 12 percent to \$140,159,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 96 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 4 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 27 percent from \$112,227 in 1992 to \$142,438 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	140,159	14	102	280	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	134,120	8	102	84	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	6,038	80	102	2,247	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Corn for grain	69,984	8	102	14	2,582
Soybeans	61,951	6	102	7	2,136
Hogs and pigs	3,135	78	102	681	2,976
Cattle and calves	2,642	57	102	1,943	3,063
Wheat	849	48	102	982	2,578
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	25,347	82	102	749	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	4,619	62	102	2,226	3,063
Rabbits and their pelts sold	777	6	58	248	1,593
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	35	78	893	2,200
Sheep and lambs sold	361	50	100	1,426	2,765
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs inventory	16,544	77	102	653	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	9,053	57	102	2,235	3,064
Rabbit inventory	1,075	1	94	71	2,456
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	32	98	835	2,884
Sheep and lamb inventory	435	50	101	1,474	2,864
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	219,536	8	102	14	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	215,987	6	102	12	2,144
Hay crops-acres	5,192	64	102	2,258	3,061
Wheat-acres	4,685	50	102	1,095	2,612
Oats-acres	794	31	91	762	2,332

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 .....	244	273	-11
\$10,000 or more .....	740	839	-12
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	82,279	75,476	9
Average per farm .....dollars..	83,702	67,935	23
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	57,736	47,691	21
Average per farm .....dollars..	58,734	42,926	37
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	859	970	-11
Partnership or corporation .....	123	135	-9
Other .....	2	7	-71
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	623	739	-16
Other .....	361	373	-3
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	926	1,073	-14
Female .....	58	39	49
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	981	1,111	-12
Black and other races .....	3	1	200
Average age of operator .....	55.1	52.0	6

(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.