

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased 4 percent from 297,003 acres in 1992 to 308,576 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 11 percent from 357 acres in 1992 to 397 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 13 percent from 523 farms in 1992 to 455 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

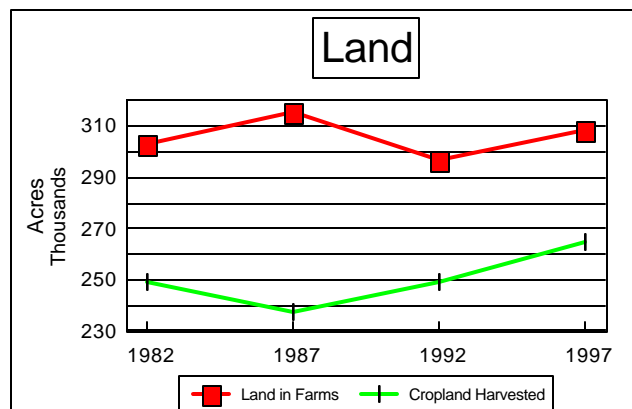
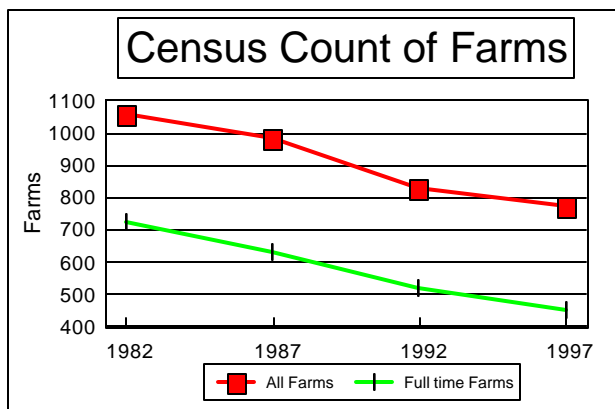
Increased 20 percent to \$87,954,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 63 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 37 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 29 percent from \$87,955 in 1992 to \$113,197 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	87,954	41	102	622	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	55,104	53	102	473	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	32,850	20	102	817	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Soybeans	26,859	41	102	167	2,136
Dairy products	16,542	4	92	250	2,563
Corn for grain	15,981	71	102	415	2,582
Hogs and pigs	10,763	33	102	312	2,976
Wheat	10,550	1	102	210	2,578
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	88,270	37	102	358	2,976
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	10	71	638	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	9,938	29	102	1,616	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	269	60	100	1,572	2,765
All goats sold	(D)	58	88	1,942	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	10	101	567	3,002
Hogs and pigs inventory	47,596	33	102	319	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	25,545	15	102	1,288	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	975	25	101	969	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	132	97	102	2,774	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	123,985	27	102	118	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	85,035	58	102	278	2,691
Wheat-acres	63,018	1	102	274	2,612
Hay crops-acres	16,367	9	102	1,231	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	4,162	5	99	368	2,473

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	184	212	-13
\$10,000 or more	593	619	-4
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	56,125	51,758	8
Average per farmdollars..	72,233	62,284	16
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	23,358	21,428	9
Average per farmdollars..	30,062	25,785	17
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	611	702	-13
Partnership or corporation	155	125	24
Other	11	4	175
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	455	523	-13
Other	322	308	5
Operators by sex:			
Male	743	805	-8
Female	34	26	31
Operators by race:			
White	776	831	-7
Black and other races	1	-	
Average age of operator	51.5	51.5	

(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.