

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service



WHITE ILLINOIS

Land in farms

Increased 9 percent from 234,973 acres in 1992 to 256,393 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 13 percent from 524 acres in 1992 to 594 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 13 percent from 277 farms in 1992 to 240 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

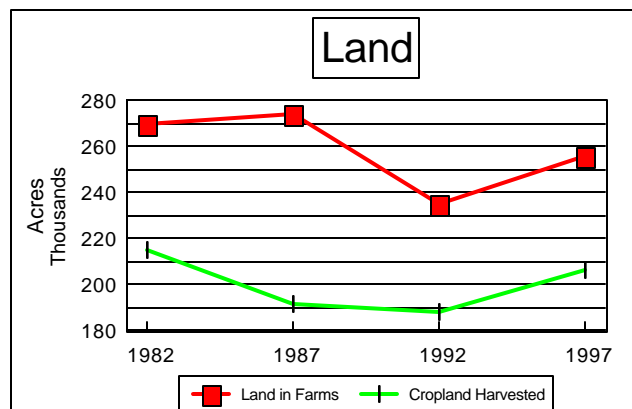
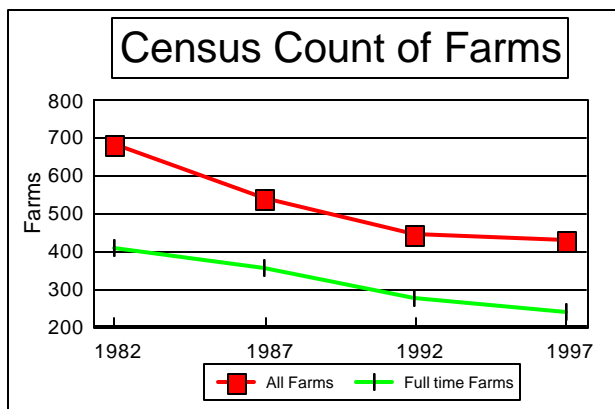
Increased 31 percent to \$61,272,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 87 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 13 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 36 percent from \$104,608 in 1992 to \$141,834 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	61,272	60	102	960	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	53,219	54	102	499	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	8,053	69	102	2,037	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Soybeans	24,233	49	102	206	2,136
Corn for grain	23,226	59	102	274	2,582
Hogs and pigs	6,613	51	102	446	2,976
Wheat	4,656	9	102	390	2,578
Cattle and calves	1,294	82	102	2,412	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	66,688	45	102	438	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	3,070	76	102	2,471	3,063
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	27	58	792	1,593
All goats sold	67	28	88	1,201	2,686
Horses and ponies sold	66	33	102	1,349	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	21,243	67	102	571	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	6,300	73	102	2,457	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	606	33	98	929	2,884
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	547	48	101	1,611	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	426	51	102	1,807	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	98,218	45	102	217	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	87,666	54	102	259	2,691
Wheat-acres	29,059	9	102	438	2,612
Hay crops-acres	4,563	69	102	2,344	3,061
Popcorn-acres	1,524	9	62	59	534

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	169	155	9
\$10,000 or more	263	293	-10
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	38,293	32,074	19
Average per farmdollars..	88,848	71,593	24
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	19,988	12,633	58
Average per farmdollars..	46,377	28,198	64
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	352	362	-3
Partnership or corporation	75	84	-11
Other	5	2	150
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	240	277	-13
Other	192	171	12
Operators by sex:			
Male	411	427	-4
Female	21	21	
Operators by race:			
White	430	446	-4
Black and other races	2	2	
Average age of operator	53.6	52.9	1

(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.