

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
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### Land in farms

Decreased 5 percent from 197,947 acres in 1992 to 188,230 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 1 percent from 244 acres in 1992 to 247 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 12 percent from 434 farms in 1992 to 383 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

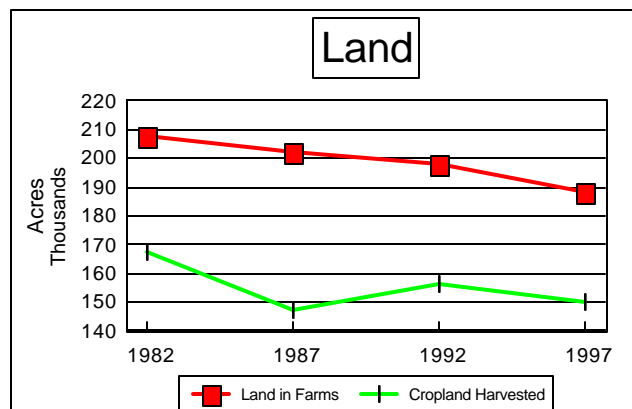
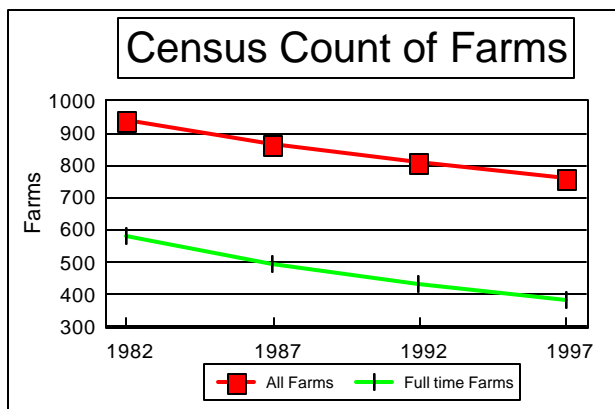
Increased slightly

Crop sales accounted for 43 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 57 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 7 percent from \$119,986 in 1992 to \$128,276 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	97,747	12	92	530	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	56,046	7	92	435	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	41,701	37	92	692	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	28,533	5	92	109	2,976
Cattle and calves	20,521	2	92	391	3,063
Soybeans	19,627	31	92	308	2,136
Corn for grain	19,039	39	92	353	2,582
Dairy products	3,903	22	91	744	2,563
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	250,900	6	92	126	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	40,080	1	92	412	3,063
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	35	68	849	2,203
Sheep and lambs sold	1,114	11	91	763	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	16	49	969	1,882
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	16	92	302	3,002
Hogs and pigs inventory	127,954	5	92	106	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	22,465	9	92	1,425	3,064
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	17	77	410	2,549
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	1	83	324	2,588
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	69,202	37	92	370	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	65,519	35	92	402	2,144
Wheat-acres	8,460	16	92	833	2,612
Hay crops-acres	5,553	47	92	2,198	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	1,761	19	92	755	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 .....	288	273	5
\$10,000 or more .....	474	537	-12
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	74,384	82,496	-10
Average per farm .....dollars..	97,745	101,847	-4
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	23,280	13,808	69
Average per farm .....dollars..	30,591	17,048	79
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	616	639	-4
Partnership or corporation .....	143	166	-14
Other .....	3	5	-40
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	383	434	-12
Other .....	379	376	1
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	726	785	-8
Female .....	36	25	44
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	762	810	-6
Black and other races .....			
Average age of operator .....	53.4	51.0	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.