

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Iowa Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased 3 percent from 315,448 acres in 1992 to 324,282 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 9 percent from 275 acres in 1992 to 299 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 18 percent from 794 farms in 1992 to 653 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

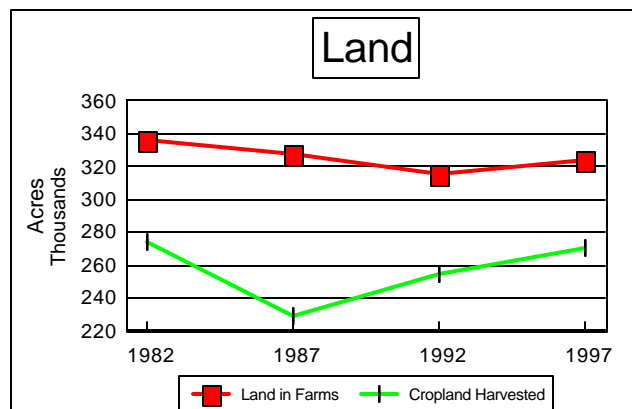
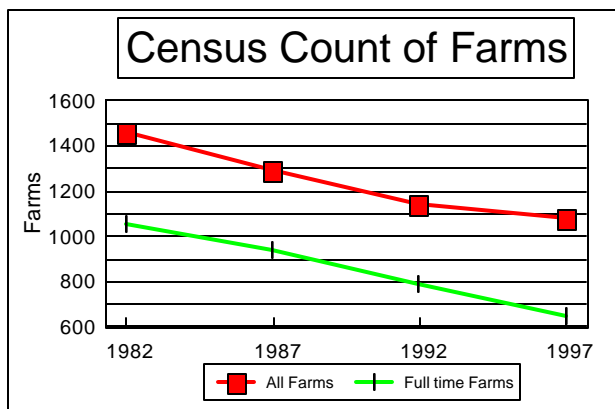
Increased 15 percent to \$131,473,000 in 1997.

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 22 percent from \$99,715 in 1992 to \$121,174 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	131,473	37	99	313	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	73,866	39	99	282	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	57,607	35	99	417	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Corn for grain	39,829	33	99	109	2,582
Hogs and pigs	37,482	24	99	70	2,976
Soybeans	33,159	36	99	96	2,136
Cattle and calves	12,274	54	99	739	3,063
Dairy products	3,405	20	97	807	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	315,618	27	99	91	2,976
Turkeys sold	48,799	22	61	318	1,353
Cattle and calves sold	17,507	71	99	1,122	3,063
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	41	81	832	2,203
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	10,123	18	97	704	1,882
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	178,682	27	99	63	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	29	99	348	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	21,885	68	99	1,449	3,064
All turkeys inventory	(D)	19	91	312	2,361
Sheep and lamb inventory	3,386	19	99	346	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	139,450	37	99	106	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	120,836	33	99	122	2,144
Hay crops-acres	8,199	66	99	1,892	3,061
Oats-acres	2,416	26	99	289	2,332
Corn for silage-acres	1,927	43	99	705	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	263	192	37
\$10,000 or more	822	954	-14
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	92,343	88,432	4
Average per farmdollars..	85,109	77,165	10
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	33,186	23,683	40
Average per farmdollars..	30,586	20,665	48
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	959	1,006	-5
Partnership or corporation	121	140	-14
Other	5	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	653	794	-18
Other	432	352	23
Operators by sex:			
Male	1,035	1,105	-6
Female	50	41	22
Operators by race:			
White	1,084	1,146	-5
Black and other races	1	-	
Average age of operator	52.0	49.6	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.