

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Iowa Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 9 percent from 314,812 acres in 1992 to 285,829 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 5 percent from 409 acres in 1992 to 428 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 24 percent from 605 farms in 1992 to 458 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

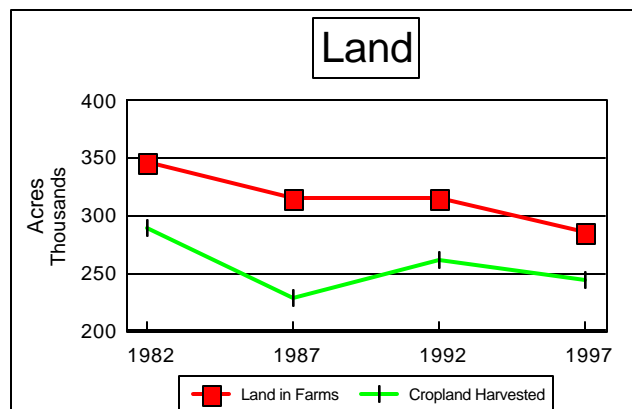
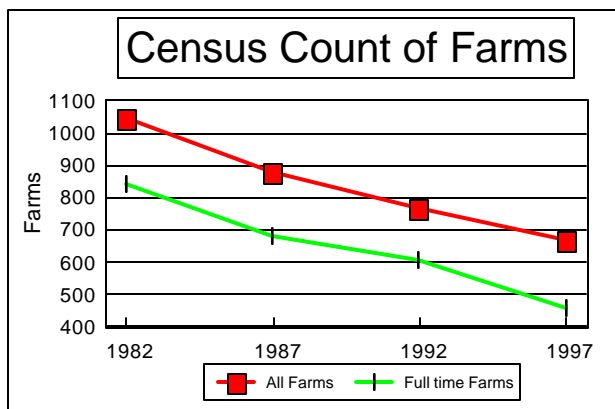
Increased 15 percent to \$120,624,000 in 1997.

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 32 percent from \$136,462 in 1992 to \$180,574 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	120,624	45	99	373	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	68,133	43	99	334	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	52,491	41	99	477	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Soybeans	33,786	33	99	91	2,136
Corn for grain	33,259	48	99	156	2,582
Hogs and pigs	24,892	45	99	127	2,976
Poultry & poultry products	16,649	7	99	327	2,901
Cattle and calves	10,281	67	99	872	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	1,731,985	3	81	38	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	221,728	46	99	145	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	14,781	76	99	1,257	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	4,244	18	99	270	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	2,351	28	97	801	1,882
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	2	49	13	1,790
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	2	90	30	2,549
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	27	99	322	3,002
Hogs and pigs inventory	108,489	52	99	140	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	16,987	82	99	1,695	3,064
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	120,511	36	99	125	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	118,457	48	99	147	2,691
Hay crops-acres	5,110	81	99	2,273	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	1,896	44	99	713	2,473
Oats-acres	649	88	99	851	2,332

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	118	90	31
\$10,000 or more	550	680	-19
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	78,303	77,073	2
Average per farmdollars..	117,220	100,095	17
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	36,444	25,791	41
Average per farmdollars..	54,557	33,495	63
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	530	620	-15
Partnership or corporation	133	147	-10
Other	5	3	67
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	458	605	-24
Other	210	165	27
Operators by sex:			
Male	634	728	-13
Female	34	42	-19
Operators by race:			
White	668	769	-13
Black and other races	-	1	-100
Average age of operator	52.3	51.0	3

(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.