

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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## DUBUQUE IOWA

### Land in farms

Decreased 2 percent from 343,870 acres in 1992 to 336,497 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 2 percent from 208 acres in 1992 to 213 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 17 percent from 1,220 farms in 1992 to 1,012 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

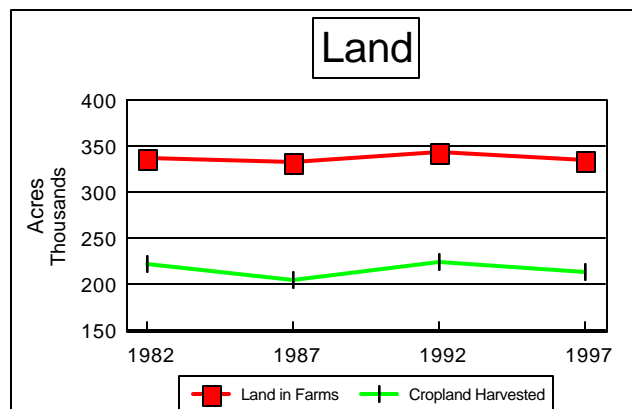
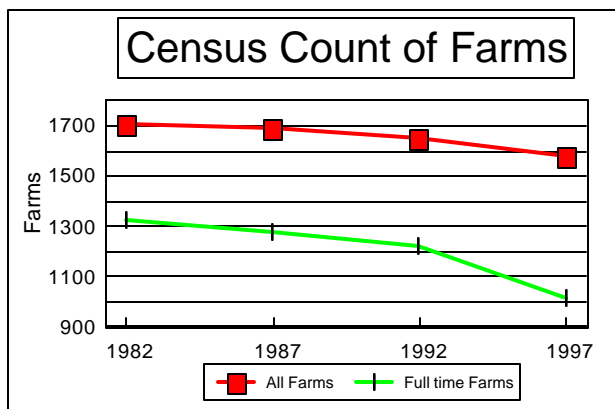
Decreased 7 percent to \$171,651,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 18 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 82 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 3 percent from \$111,849 in 1992 to \$108,709 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	171,651	17	99	184	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	140,740	4	99	100	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	30,911	84	99	916	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Dairy products	52,785	1	97	66	2,563
Hogs and pigs	45,479	18	99	53	2,976
Cattle and calves	41,993	6	99	159	3,063
Corn for grain	20,186	79	99	329	2,582
Soybeans	6,186	96	99	686	2,136
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	430,305	20	99	57	2,976
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold (D)		1	74	67	2,200
Cattle and calves sold	66,574	6	99	197	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	970	87	99	828	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	687	63	97	1,016	1,882
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs inventory	258,568	15	99	32	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	112,144	2	99	100	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory (D)		3	98	316	2,884
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,337	59	99	1,066	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,221	76	99	805	2,864
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	116,149	52	99	160	2,691
Hay crops-acres	67,863	1	99	134	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	19,886	97	99	794	2,144
Oats-acres	10,651	1	99	26	2,332
Corn for silage-acres	9,797	3	99	127	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 .....	379	277	37
\$10,000 or more .....	1,200	1,376	-13
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	127,281	140,395	-9
Average per farm .....dollars..	80,659	84,985	-5
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	38,006	38,051	-0
Average per farm .....dollars..	24,085	23,033	5
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	1,300	1,352	-4
Partnership or corporation .....	266	298	-11
Other .....	13	3	333
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	1,012	1,220	-17
Other .....	567	433	31
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	1,522	1,607	-5
Female .....	57	46	24
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	1,579	1,651	-4
Black and other races .....	-	2	-100
Average age of operator .....	50.6	48.0	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.