

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
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### Land in farms

Increased 5 percent from 302,352 acres in 1992 to 318,355 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 10 percent from 507 acres in 1992 to 560 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 17 percent from 466 farms in 1992 to 387 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

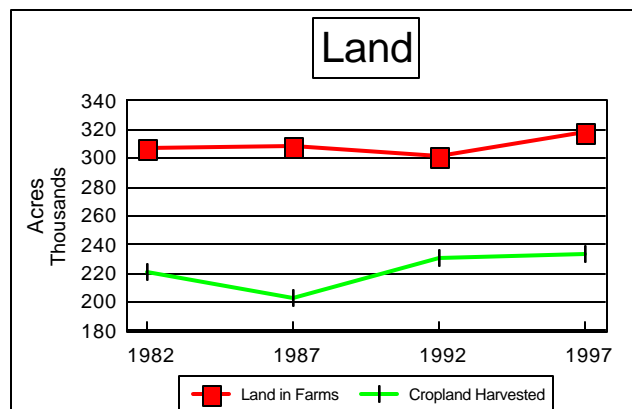
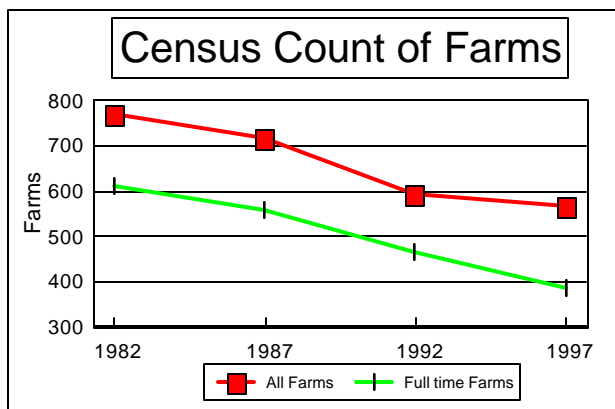
Increased 7 percent to \$88,185,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 74 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 26 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 12 percent from \$138,596 in 1992 to \$155,256 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	88,185	68	99	619	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	65,557	45	99	355	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	22,628	87	99	1,125	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Corn for grain	32,815	49	99	159	2,582
Soybeans	29,723	45	99	133	2,136
Cattle and calves	17,461	38	99	485	3,063
Hogs and pigs	4,983	94	99	533	2,976
Nursery and greenhouse crops	2,324	14	97	648	2,790
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	41,961	96	99	585	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	26,808	38	99	732	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	2,147	48	99	448	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	96	97	1,452	1,882
Horses and ponies sold	39	83	99	1,901	3,015
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs inventory	24,261	94	99	529	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	23,564	66	99	1,374	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	684	93	99	1,203	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	387	76	99	1,920	3,066
Colony of bees inventory	186	31	89	867	2,588
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Soybeans for beans-acres	116,362	38	99	135	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	110,761	58	99	179	2,691
Hay crops-acres	6,173	74	99	2,130	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	491	97	99	1,433	2,473
All nursery-acres	(D)	6	90	627	2,619

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 .....	122	94	30
\$10,000 or more .....	446	502	-11
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	55,616	55,894	-0
Average per farm .....dollars..	98,088	93,625	5
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	30,063	24,929	21
Average per farm .....dollars..	53,022	41,757	27
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	421	471	-11
Partnership or corporation .....	141	123	15
Other .....	6	2	200
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	387	466	-17
Other .....	181	130	39
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	535	567	-6
Female .....	33	29	14
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	567	596	-5
Black and other races .....	1	-	
Average age of operator .....	55.5	53.1	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.