

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 321,285 acres in 1992 to 331,922 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 3 percent from 329 acres in 1992 to 340 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 18 percent from 664 farms in 1992 to 543 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

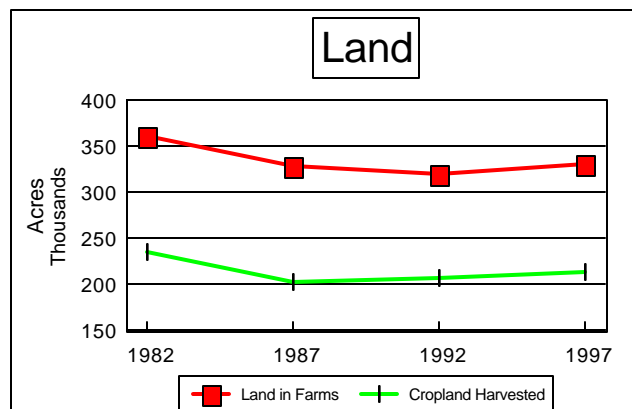
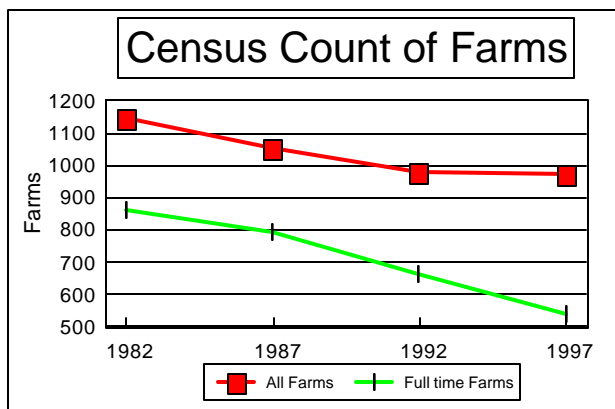
Increased 10 percent to \$104,865,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 51 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 49 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 10 percent from \$97,788 in 1992 to \$107,443 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	104,865	55	99	468	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	53,525	62	99	495	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	51,339	43	99	493	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Corn for grain	29,617	59	99	195	2,582
Hogs and pigs	28,179	40	99	111	2,976
Soybeans	22,378	65	99	235	2,136
Cattle and calves	20,415	31	99	395	3,063
Dairy products	1,824	32	97	1,089	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	225,076	45	99	140	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	31,328	31	99	603	3,063
Turkeys sold	(D)	24	61	344	1,353
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	4	74	283	2,200
Sheep and lambs sold	2,529	34	99	383	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	134,113	39	99	103	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	44,383	25	99	715	3,064
All turkeys inventory	(D)	24	91	348	2,361
Sheep and lamb inventory	2,114	48	99	514	2,864
Broiler inventory	1,254	19	97	753	2,620
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	112,493	57	99	178	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	76,935	68	99	327	2,144
Hay crops-acres	20,944	27	99	993	3,061
Oats-acres	3,601	16	99	187	2,332
Corn for silage-acres	2,739	23	99	531	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	321	217	48
\$10,000 or more	655	760	-14
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	71,864	77,227	-7
Average per farmdollars..	73,631	78,964	-7
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	27,166	15,799	72
Average per farmdollars..	27,834	16,155	72
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	819	834	-2
Partnership or corporation	149	140	6
Other	8	3	167
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	543	664	-18
Other	433	313	38
Operators by sex:			
Male	908	940	-3
Female	68	37	84
Operators by race:			
White	975	977	-0
Black and other races	1	-	
Average age of operator	53.1	49.9	6

(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.