

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Iowa Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased slightly from 347,599 acres in 1992 to 348,492 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 4 percent from 291 acres in 1992 to 303 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 14 percent from 925 farms in 1992 to 791 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

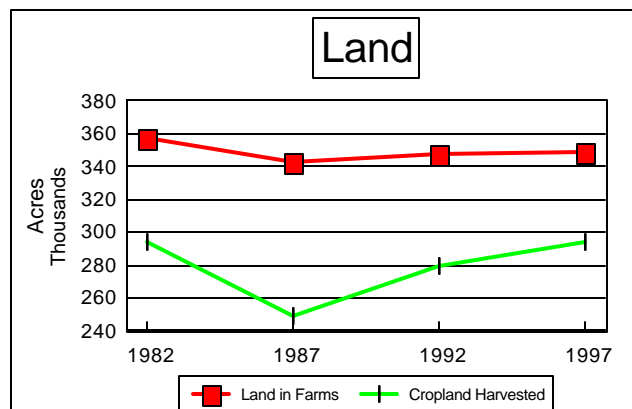
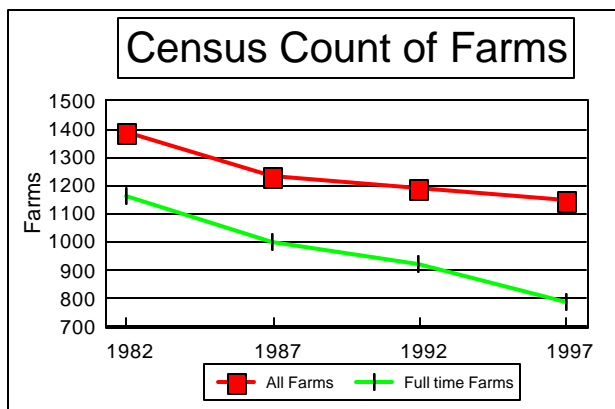
Increased 15 percent to \$198,795,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 36 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 64 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 19 percent from \$145,242 in 1992 to \$173,016 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	198,795	8	99	138	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	128,151	7	99	118	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	70,645	42	99	305	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Hogs and pigs	66,097	11	99	32	2,976
Cattle and calves	49,919	3	99	127	3,063
Soybeans	36,680	28	99	70	2,136
Corn for grain	32,617	50	99	160	2,582
Dairy products	8,694	11	97	420	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	628,837	9	99	31	2,976
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	404,682	6	97	536	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	75,088	3	99	158	3,063
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	36	81	658	2,203
Sheep and lambs sold	6,133	10	99	196	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	325,619	10	99	22	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	30	99	350	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	78,467	7	99	256	3,064
Broiler inventory	(D)	8	97	581	2,620
Sheep and lamb inventory	5,715	7	99	233	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	141,720	33	99	101	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	134,236	26	99	93	2,144
Hay crops-acres	11,619	52	99	1,551	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	7,138	7	99	195	2,473
Oats-acres	2,443	24	99	283	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	158	106	49
\$10,000 or more	991	1,088	-9
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	145,807	137,665	6
Average per farmdollars..	126,899	115,297	10
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	50,676	31,434	61
Average per farmdollars..	44,104	26,326	68
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	942	999	-6
Partnership or corporation	203	192	6
Other	4	3	33
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	791	925	-14
Other	358	269	33
Operators by sex:			
Male	1,121	1,176	-5
Female	28	18	56
Operators by race:			
White	1,147	1,194	-4
Black and other races	2	-	
Average age of operator	48.8	47.7	2

(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.