

# 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 263,047 acres in 1992 to 265,173 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased slightly from 319 acres in 1992 to 322 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 9 percent from 586 farms in 1992 to 535 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

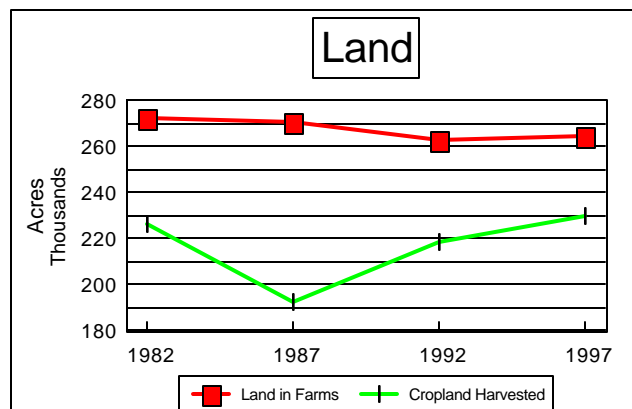
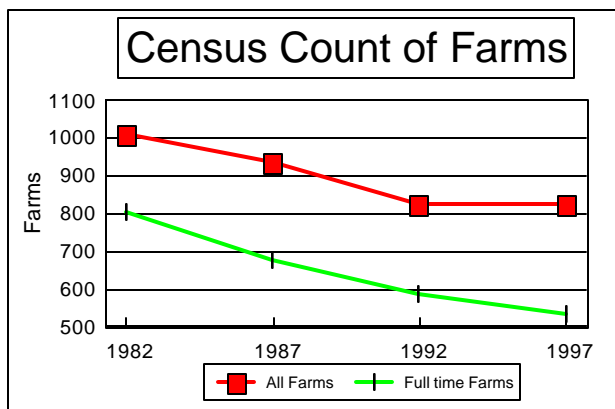
Increased 51 percent to \$160,571,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 38 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 62 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 51 percent from \$129,309 in 1992 to \$194,868 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	160,571	20	99	211	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	99,110	14	99	189	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	61,461	49	99	395	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	57,150	15	99	38	2,976
Corn for grain	33,672	46	99	152	2,582
Cattle and calves	30,697	14	99	236	3,063
Soybeans	26,382	51	99	175	2,136
Dairy products	6,249	14	97	541	2,563
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	490,159	15	99	43	2,976
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	17	81	220	2,203
Turkeys sold	(D)	14	61	257	1,353
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	13	97	634	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	44,839	15	99	349	3,063
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	279,987	22	99	246	3,002
Hogs and pigs inventory	265,686	14	99	29	3,005
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	10	90	118	2,549
Cattle and calves inventory	44,635	24	99	710	3,064
All turkeys inventory	(D)	18	91	301	2,361
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	121,677	46	99	141	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	92,807	54	99	243	2,144
Hay crops-acres	8,439	64	99	1,862	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	6,614	9	99	216	2,473
Oats-acres	3,355	18	99	206	2,332

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 .....	149	117	27
\$10,000 or more .....	675	708	-5
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	122,220	87,406	40
Average per farm .....dollars..	147,787	105,947	39
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	30,966	19,462	59
Average per farm .....dollars..	37,443	23,590	59
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	702	700	0
Partnership or corporation .....	118	122	-3
Other .....	4	3	33
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	535	586	-9
Other .....	289	239	21
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	794	804	-1
Female .....	30	21	43
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	822	825	-0
Black and other races .....	2	-	
Average age of operator .....	48.2	47.2	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.