

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Iowa Agricultural Statistics Service



BLACK HAWK IOWA

Land in farms

Decreased 5 percent from 299,502 acres in 1992 to 285,972 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 6 percent from 270 acres in 1992 to 285 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 17 percent from 631 farms in 1992 to 526 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

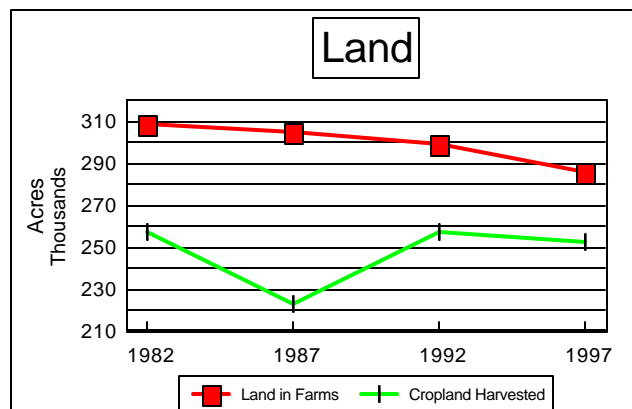
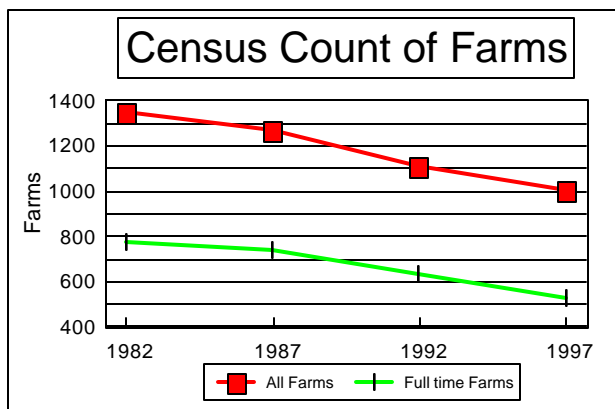
Increased 14 percent to \$127,892,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 60 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 40 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 26 percent from \$101,316 in 1992 to \$127,636 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	127,892	41	99	332	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	77,230	34	99	256	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	50,662	45	99	497	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Corn for grain	38,442	41	99	125	2,582
Hogs and pigs	35,580	28	99	77	2,976
Soybeans	33,567	34	99	93	2,136
Cattle and calves	8,093	80	99	1,070	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	4,092	3	97	455	2,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	12	81	152	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	298,788	29	99	98	2,976
Turkeys sold	(D)	6	61	176	1,353
Cattle and calves sold	12,358	82	99	1,417	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	3,399	24	99	320	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	8	49	78	1,790
Hogs and pigs inventory	171,797	29	99	69	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	40	99	637	3,002
All turkeys inventory	(D)	15	91	260	2,361
Cattle and calves inventory	16,541	84	99	1,722	3,064
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	131,973	41	99	122	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	111,781	41	99	153	2,144
Hay crops-acres	7,482	68	99	1,967	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	1,727	48	99	764	2,473
Oats-acres	1,229	58	99	548	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	234	243	-4
\$10,000 or more	768	868	-12
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	89,869	90,781	-1
Average per farmdollars..	89,779	81,785	10
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	26,399	18,195	45
Average per farmdollars..	26,373	16,392	61
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	827	909	-9
Partnership or corporation	167	196	-15
Other	8	6	33
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	526	631	-17
Other	476	480	-1
Operators by sex:			
Male	959	1,058	-9
Female	43	53	-19
Operators by race:			
White	998	1,109	-10
Black and other races	4	2	100
Average age of operator	52.1	49.9	4

(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.