

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Iowa Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 1 percent from 401,858 acres in 1992 to 396,220 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 11 percent from 311 acres in 1992 to 344 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 22 percent from 897 farms in 1992 to 697 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

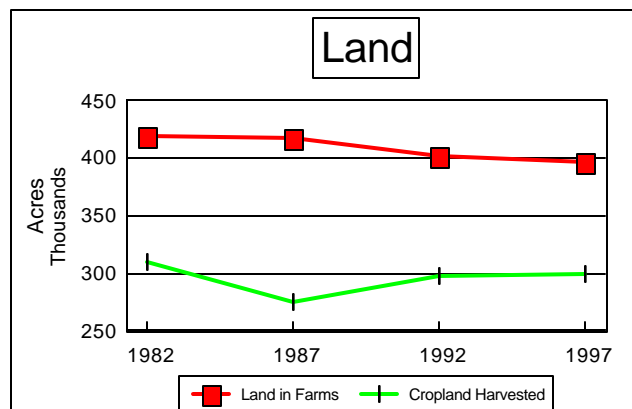
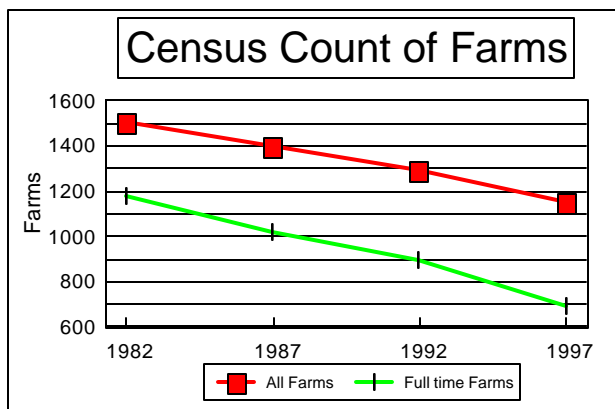
Increased 17 percent to \$127,816,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 67 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 33 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 31 percent from \$84,722 in 1992 to \$110,952 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	127,816	42	99	333	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	86,261	20	99	199	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	41,555	51	99	641	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Corn for grain	46,015	20	99	72	2,582
Soybeans	38,645	20	99	55	2,136
Hogs and pigs	24,048	47	99	133	2,976
Cattle and calves	14,279	45	99	633	3,063
Dairy products	2,658	27	97	927	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	204,069	52	99	163	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	23,186	48	99	839	3,063
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	1	56	31	1,593
Sheep and lambs sold	3,371	25	99	322	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	1,044	51	97	933	1,882
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	103,275	56	99	150	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	34,081	47	99	985	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	3,470	18	99	342	2,864
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,107	64	99	1,143	3,002
Rabbit inventory	(D)	1	93	72	2,456
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	153,862	23	99	75	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	130,656	28	99	100	2,144
Hay crops-acres	16,290	36	99	1,237	3,061
Oats-acres	2,437	25	99	285	2,332
Corn for silage-acres	1,462	54	99	850	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	315	281	12
\$10,000 or more	837	1,013	-17
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	91,847	92,072	-0
Average per farmdollars..	79,659	71,208	12
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	25,410	16,160	57
Average per farmdollars..	22,038	12,498	76
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	958	1,075	-11
Partnership or corporation	193	213	-9
Other	1	6	-83
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	697	897	-22
Other	455	397	15
Operators by sex:			
Male	1,090	1,247	-13
Female	62	47	32
Operators by race:			
White	1,150	1,290	-11
Black and other races	2	4	-50
Average age of operator	52.2	50.5	3

(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.