

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Kansas Agricultural Statistics Service



GRAY KANSAS

Land in farms

Increased 7 percent from 517,623 acres in 1992 to 555,937 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 16 percent from 1,041 acres in 1992 to 1,206 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 9 percent from 379 farms in 1992 to 345 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

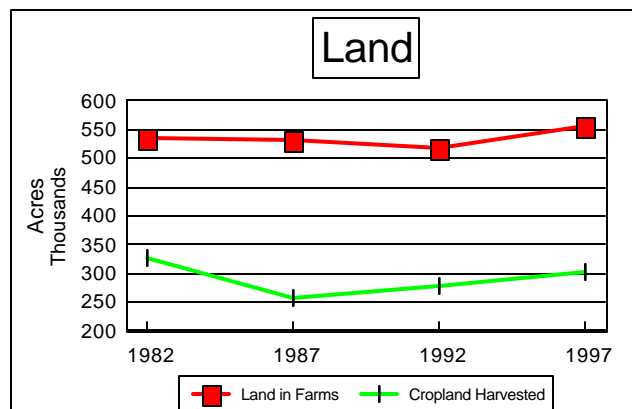
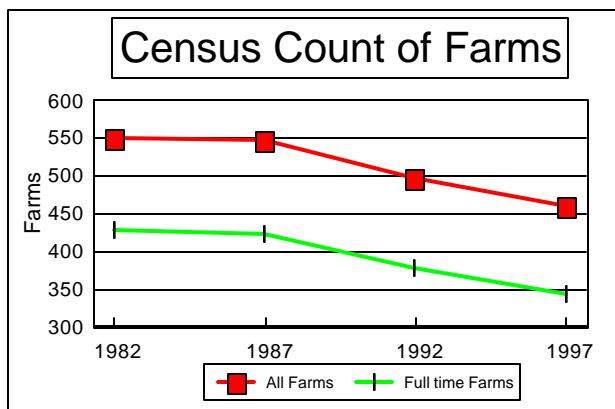
Increased 42 percent to \$373,688,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 21 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 79 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 53 percent from \$530,974 in 1992 to \$810,604 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	373,688	4	105	42	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	296,000	4	105	33	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	77,688	2	105	254	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	283,018	4	105	16	3,063
Corn for grain	44,899	3	105	77	2,582
Wheat	14,982	31	105	129	2,578
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	9,882	2	105	68	3,043
Dairy products	(D)	3	92	396	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	396,685	4	105	16	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	2	76	127	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	27	105	685	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	56	105	1,272	2,765
All goats sold	(D)	20	86	1,584	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	182,336	5	105	38	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	23	105	548	3,005
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	3	102	100	2,884
Sheep and lamb inventory	(D)	39	104	955	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	299	64	105	2,214	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Wheat-acres	135,326	22	105	127	2,612
Corn for grain-acres	98,088	5	105	217	2,691
Sorghum for grain-acres	41,886	26	105	53	1,508
Hay crops-acres	23,642	46	105	874	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	3,793	67	104	1,264	2,144

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	73	72	1
\$10,000 or more	388	425	-9
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	308,646	229,204	35
Average per farmdollars..	669,515	462,106	45
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	65,995	33,388	98
Average per farmdollars..	143,157	67,315	113
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	358	385	-7
Partnership or corporation	99	109	-9
Other	4	3	33
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	345	379	-9
Other	116	118	-2
Operators by sex:			
Male	443	485	-9
Female	18	12	50
Operators by race:			
White	460	496	-7
Black and other races	1	1	
Average age of operator	51.1	47.8	7

(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.