

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Kansas Agricultural Statistics Service



NORTON KANSAS

Land in farms

Increased 3 percent from 465,527 acres in 1992 to 478,809 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 8 percent from 1,108 acres in 1992 to 1,200 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 13 percent from 292 farms in 1992 to 254 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

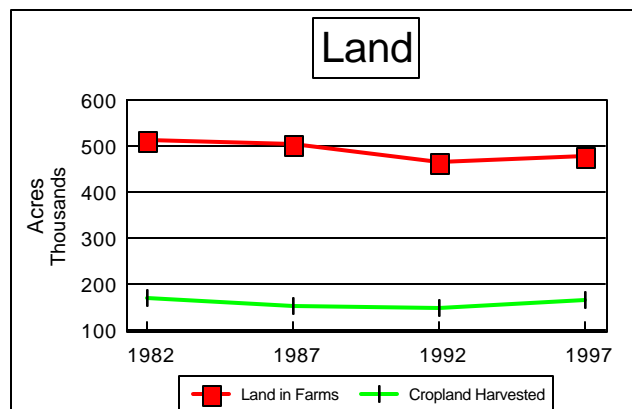
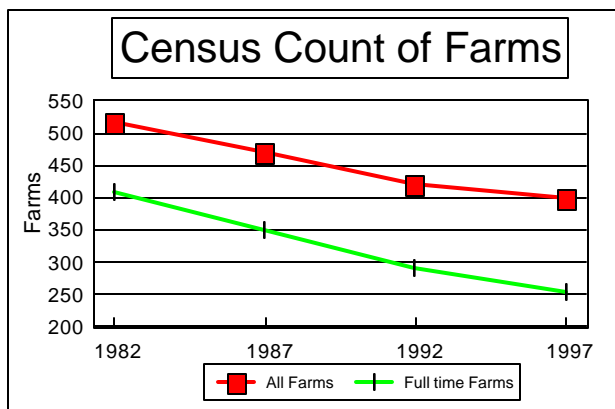
Increased 9 percent to \$41,674,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 50 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 50 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 14 percent from \$91,263 in 1992 to \$104,447 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	41,674	71	105	1,390	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	20,845	73	105	1,229	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	20,829	70	105	1,203	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	13,041	82	105	696	3,063
Wheat	11,499	52	105	195	2,578
Hogs and pigs	7,552	10	105	410	2,976
Corn for grain	5,354	37	105	786	2,582
Grain sorghum	2,987	57	105	120	1,275
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	62,468	12	105	457	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	25,384	79	105	766	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	244	75	105	1,626	2,765
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	25	60	1,324	2,203
Horses and ponies sold	67	34	105	1,332	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	50,891	7	105	308	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	40,881	67	105	799	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	561	34	105	1,443	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	446	48	104	1,769	3,002
Broiler inventory	332	9	85	1,097	2,620
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Wheat-acres	100,354	50	105	193	2,612
Corn for grain-acres	29,201	28	105	683	2,691
Sorghum for grain-acres	20,571	57	105	130	1,508
Hay crops-acres	14,226	76	105	1,348	3,061
Sorghum for silage-acres	2,330	13	104	26	1,323

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	105	99	6
\$10,000 or more	294	321	-8
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	37,354	32,095	16
Average per farmdollars..	93,619	76,600	22
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	6,030	8,776	-31
Average per farmdollars..	15,112	20,946	-28
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	311	350	-11
Partnership or corporation	87	69	26
Other	1	1	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	254	292	-13
Other	145	128	13
Operators by sex:			
Male	378	413	-8
Female	21	7	200
Operators by race:			
White	397	419	-5
Black and other races	2	1	100
Average age of operator	54.1	53.6	1

(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.