

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Increased 5 percent from 620,144 acres in 1992 to 652,688 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 10 percent from 1,240 acres in 1992 to 1,365 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 361 farms in 1992 to 325 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

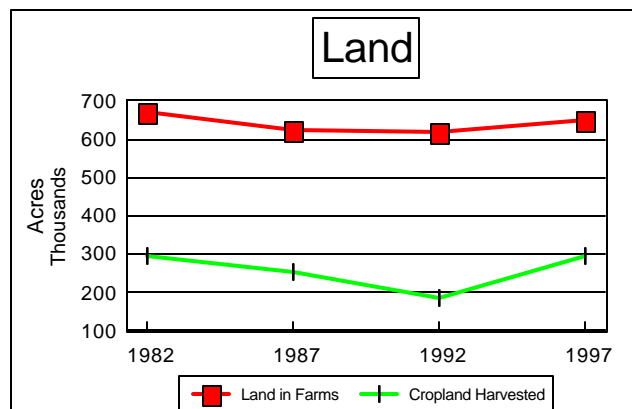
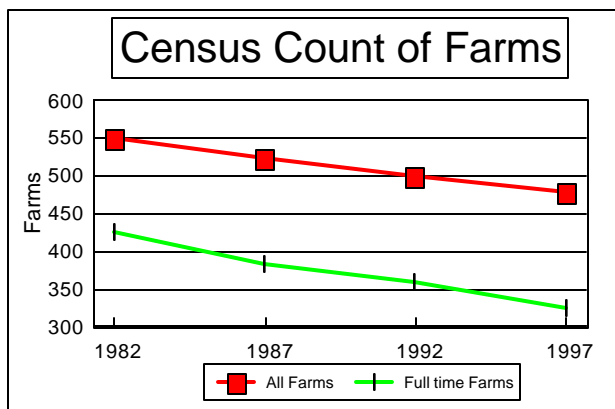
Increased 16 percent to \$82,964,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 65 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 35 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 22 percent from \$142,653 in 1992 to \$173,565 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	82,964	34	105	669	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	53,539	10	105	494	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	29,425	50	105	899	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	29,022	43	105	253	3,063
Corn for grain	25,489	9	105	236	2,582
Wheat	18,839	17	105	83	2,578
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	5,965	1	99	121	1,971
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	(D)	35	105	476	3,043
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	45,379	46	105	344	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	1,088	93	105	1,785	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	918	32	105	856	2,765
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	10	43	792	1,593
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	22	47	1,391	1,882
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	35,095	81	105	951	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,284	23	104	778	2,864
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,095	17	104	1,146	3,002
Hogs and pigs inventory	750	90	105	1,718	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	255	76	105	2,377	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Wheat-acres	177,142	9	105	76	2,612
Corn for grain-acres	70,730	9	105	356	2,691
Sunflower seed-acres	25,655	1	89	31	674
Hay crops-acres	9,220	92	105	1,787	3,061
Sorghum for grain-acres	3,612	98	105	324	1,508

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 .....	100	156	-36
\$10,000 or more .....	378	344	10
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	62,020	68,732	-10
Average per farm .....dollars..	129,750	137,190	-5
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	17,447	3,872	351
Average per farm .....dollars..	36,500	7,729	372
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	384	410	-6
Partnership or corporation .....	83	86	-3
Other .....	11	4	175
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	325	361	-10
Other .....	153	139	10
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	437	457	-4
Female .....	41	43	-5
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	477	500	-5
Black and other races .....	1	-	
Average age of operator .....	56.0	52.9	6

(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.