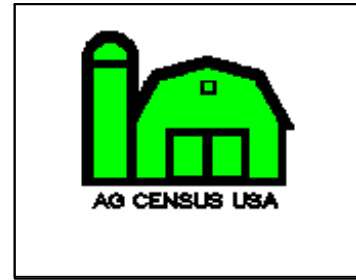


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Land in farms

Decreased 2 percent from 13,665,798 acres in 1992 to 13,334,234 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 7 percent from 151 acres in 1992 to 162 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 16 percent from 40,175 farms in 1992 to 33,841 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

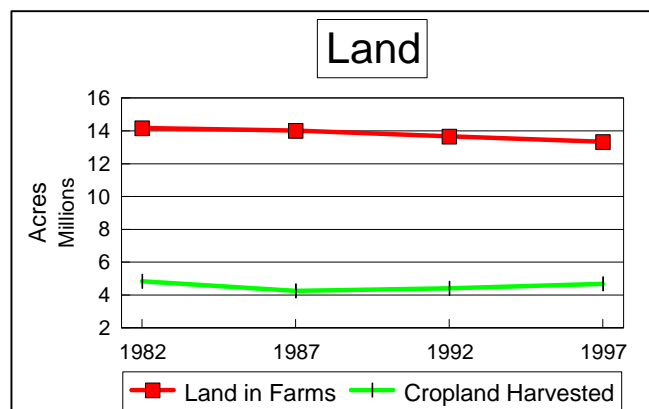
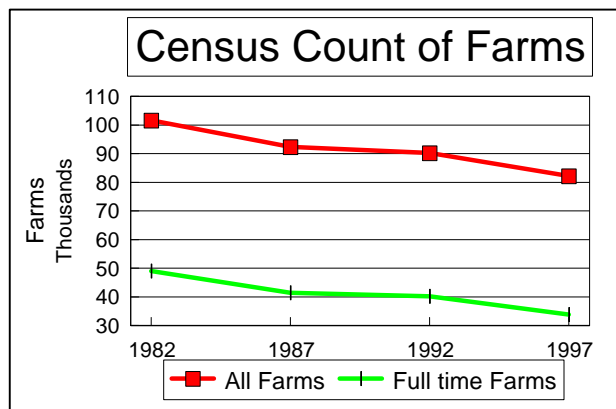
Increased 15 percent to \$3,064,460,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 52 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 48 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 26 percent from \$29,505 in 1992 to \$37,247 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	3,064,460	25	50
Value of crops including nursery	1,578,861	22	50
Value of livestock and poultry	1,485,599	25	50
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)			
Tobacco	828,038	2	21
Cattle and calves	553,436	17	50
Horses and ponies	335,568	1	50
Soybeans	273,779	13	40
Corn for grain	273,075	14	48
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)			
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	91,548,829	18	50
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	4,148,542	21	50
Cattle and calves sold	1,388,647	13	50
Hogs and pigs sold	1,100,523	17	50
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	57,319	37	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)			
Broiler inventory	16,378,426	18	50
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	2,822,970	28	50
Cattle and calves inventory	2,428,891	12	50
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	760,098	20	50
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	677,934	20	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA			
Hay crops-acres	2,009,061	12	50
Soybeans for beans-acres	1,214,938	15	42
Corn for grain-acres	1,086,381	13	48
Wheat-acres	408,771	21	46
Tobacco-acres	255,053	2	21

Other State Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	46,102	49,755	-7
\$10,000 or more	36,171	40,526	-11
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	2,033,070	1,828,743	11
Average per farmdollars..	24,714	20,256	22
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	979,715	817,456	20
Average per farmdollars..	11,909	9,055	32
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	71,307	76,712	-7
Partnership or corporation	10,619	13,199	-20
Other	347	370	-6
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	33,841	40,175	-16
Other	48,432	50,106	-3
Operators by sex:			
Male	74,862	82,523	-9
Female	7,411	7,758	-4
Operators by race:			
White	81,567	89,567	-9
Black and other races	706	714	-1
Average age of operator	54.0	53.2	2

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

* Universe is number of states in U.S. with item.