

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Decreased 7 percent from 69,711 acres in 1992 to 65,046 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 7 percent from 135 acres in 1992 to 145 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 21 percent from 174 farms in 1992 to 138 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

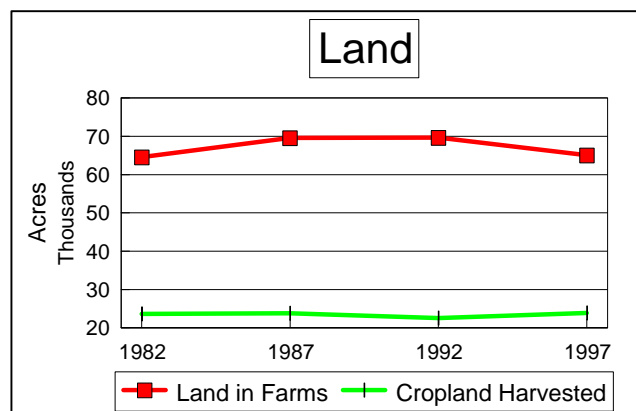
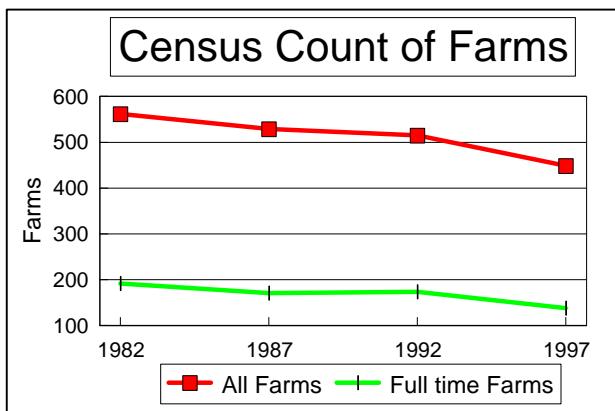
Increased 10 percent to \$12,088,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 70 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 30 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 26 percent from \$21,411 in 1992 to \$26,923 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	12,088	75	120	2,414	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	8,430	73	120	1,861	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	3,659	79	120	2,500	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Tobacco	4,123	65	116	170	580
Soybeans	2,135	32	98	964	2,136
Hogs and pigs	1,954	20	116	814	2,976
Cattle and calves	1,613	82	120	2,298	3,063
Corn for grain	1,459	33	116	1,211	2,582
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	16,480	24	116	873	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	4,619	81	120	2,226	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	156	33	106	1,832	2,765
All goats sold	65	26	110	1,227	2,686
Horses and ponies sold	17	99	116	2,523	3,015
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs inventory	10,728	18	118	776	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	8,150	83	120	2,318	3,064
All goat inventory	191	18	118	1,202	2,983
Sheep and lamb inventory	183	36	109	1,907	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	169	99	119	2,670	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Soybeans for beans-acres	9,493	33	98	1,008	2,144
Hay crops-acres	6,587	90	120	2,081	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	6,003	36	118	1,242	2,691
Wheat-acres	2,450	28	97	1,351	2,612
Tobacco-acres	1,271	69	116	168	583

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 .....	265	308	-14
\$10,000 or more .....	184	207	-11
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	8,057	6,585	22
Average per farm .....dollars..	17,904	12,787	40
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	4,112	3,127	31
Average per farm .....dollars..	9,138	6,073	50
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	384	431	-11
Partnership or corporation .....	65	82	-21
Other .....	-	2	-100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	138	174	-21
Other .....	311	341	-9
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	421	484	-13
Female .....	28	31	-10
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	449	515	-13
Black and other races .....			
Average age of operator .....	53.6	51.7	4

(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.