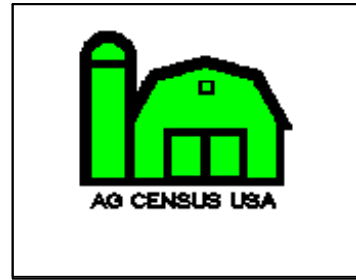


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### Land in farms

Increased slightly from 7,837,545 acres in 1992 to 7,876,528 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 8 percent from 306 acres in 1992 to 331 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 13 percent from 12,931 farms in 1992 to 11,281 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

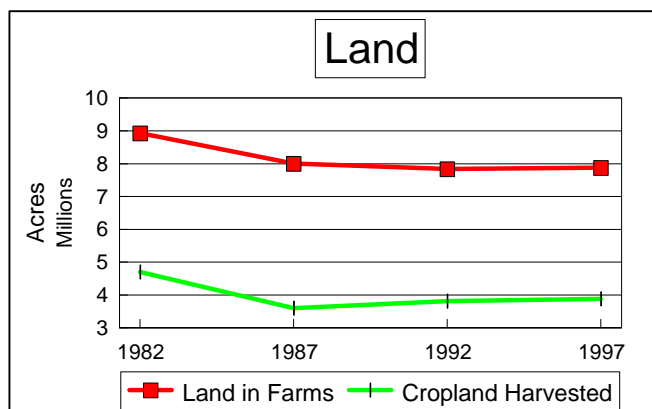
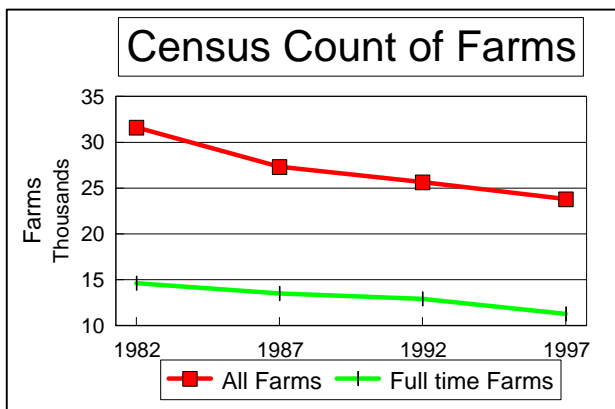
Increased 26 percent to \$2,031,277,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 69 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 31 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 36 percent from \$62,666 in 1992 to \$85,265 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>			
Total value of agricultural products sold	2,031,277	31	50
Value of crops including nursery	1,411,472	23	50
Value of livestock and poultry	619,805	38	50
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>			
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	361,328	5	50
Cotton, cottonseed	316,675	6	18
Poultry & poultry products	286,285	21	50
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	246,529	4	49
Soybeans	235,658	16	40
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>			
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	123,132,021	14	50
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	2,656,672	29	50
Cattle and calves sold	418,642	36	50
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	42,424	39	50
Hogs and pigs sold	28,527	40	50
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>			
Broiler inventory	20,538,744	14	50
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,934,181	32	50
Cattle and calves inventory	877,124	35	50
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	419,863	28	50
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	220,914	34	50
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>			
Soybeans for beans-acres	1,260,523	14	42
Cotton-acres	647,257	7	18
Rice-acres	579,299	2	9
Corn for grain-acres	411,072	20	48
Hay crops-acres	404,508	35	50

### Other State Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	14,241	15,079	-6
\$10,000 or more .....	9,582	10,573	-9
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	1,466,483	1,309,012	12
Average per farm .....dollars..	61,532	51,026	21
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	477,426	268,077	78
Average per farm .....dollars..	20,032	10,450	92
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	20,633	22,310	-8
Partnership or corporation .....	3,014	3,137	-4
Other .....	176	205	-14
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	11,281	12,931	-13
Other .....	12,542	12,721	-1
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	22,042	23,786	-7
Female .....	1,781	1,866	-5
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	22,657	24,470	-7
Black and other races .....	1,166	1,182	-1
Average age of operator .....	53.7	53.5	0

(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.