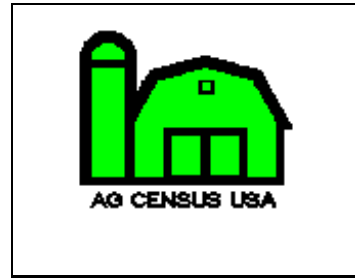


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Land in farms

Decreased 2 percent from 117,599 acres in 1992 to 115,584 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 2 percent from 329 acres in 1992 to 337 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 3 percent from 138 farms in 1992 to 134 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

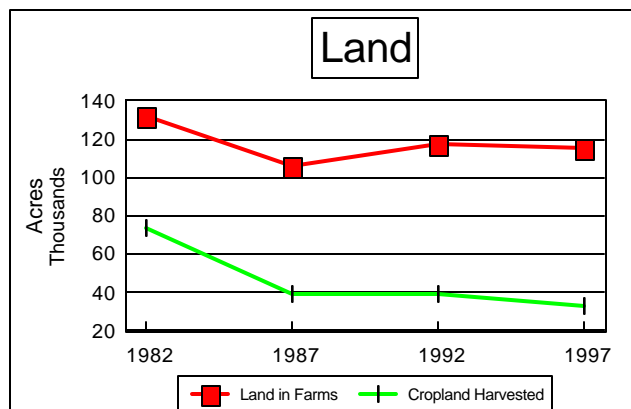
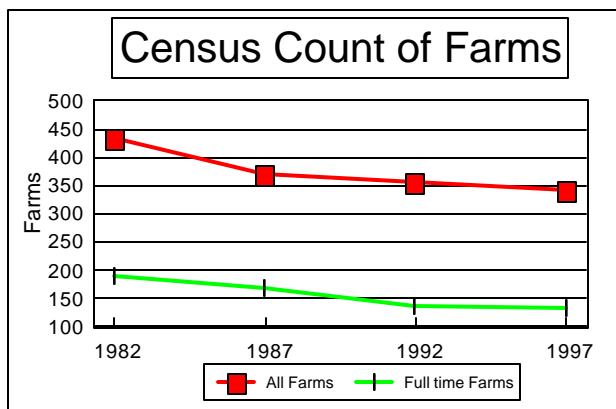
Increased 10 percent to \$11,474,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 85 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 15 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 15 percent from \$29,168 in 1992 to \$33,452 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	11,474	43	64	2,435	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	9,700	35	64	1,774	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	1,774	48	64	2,764	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	7,844	9	38	99	1,971
Soybeans	1,575	28	48	1,053	2,136
Cattle and calves	1,556	36	64	2,318	3,063
Dairy products	(D)	30	39	2,228	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	35	59	2,021	2,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	5,090	34	64	2,155	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	169	6	45	1,798	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold	168	27	59	2,449	2,976
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	12	25	717	1,593
All goats sold	101	9	50	899	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	10,693	30	64	2,086	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	535	20	64	1,507	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	398	28	59	1,864	3,002
All goat inventory	277	9	59	883	2,983
Sheep and lamb inventory	266	7	52	1,735	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Rice-acres	19,242	8	35	45	153
Soybeans for beans-acres	9,683	26	48	1,006	2,144
Hay crops-acres	3,912	38	64	2,437	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	345	33	50	2,155	2,691
Land in orchards-acres	60	37	61	1,306	2,693

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	248	259	-4
\$10,000 or more	95	98	-3
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	7,368	9,290	-21
Average per farmdollars..	21,482	26,022	-17
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,242	2,390	-48
Average per farmdollars..	3,621	6,694	-46
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	311	324	-4
Partnership or corporation	30	32	-6
Other	2	1	100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	134	138	-3
Other	209	219	-5
Operators by sex:			
Male	319	336	-5
Female	24	21	14
Operators by race:			
White	311	347	-10
Black and other races	32	10	220
Average age of operator	53.0	53.0	

(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.