

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
New England Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Decreased 6 percent from 61,797 acres in 1992 to 58,341 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 9 percent from 128 acres in 1992 to 117 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 2 percent from 226 farms in 1992 to 222 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

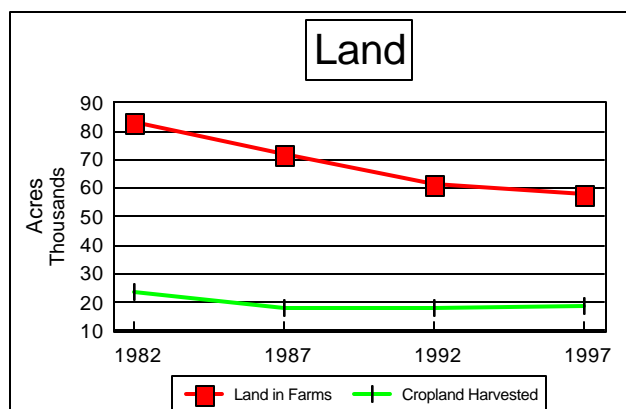
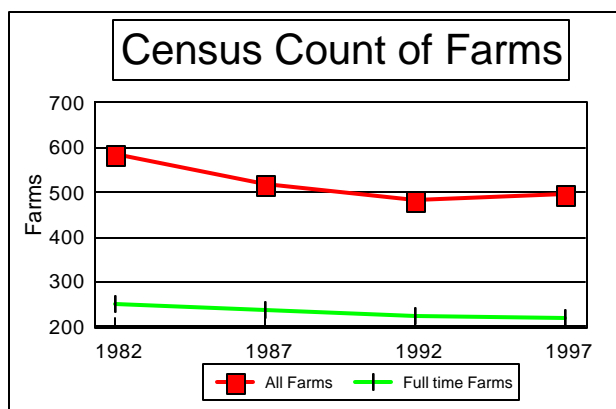
Decreased slightly

Crop sales accounted for 66 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 34 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 4 percent from \$32,475 in 1992 to \$31,068 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	15,503	10	16	2,280	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	10,264	6	16	1,735	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	5,239	10	16	2,335	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	4,395	2	16	437	2,790
Dairy products	2,595	11	16	935	2,563
Fruits, nuts, berries	1,973	7	16	232	2,547
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	1,495	2	16	440	2,739
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	(D)	5	16	424	2,237
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	5	16	404	2,203
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	1	15	622	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	1,782	8	16	2,686	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	654	4	16	1,085	2,765
Rabbits and their pelts sold	600	6	13	308	1,593
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	4	15	237	2,549
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	7	16	600	3,002
Broiler inventory	(D)	1	16	595	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	4,297	9	16	2,640	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	1,078	3	16	661	2,884
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	15,174	7	16	1,298	3,061
Land used for vegetables-acres	896	2	16	487	2,741
Maple trees tapped-acres	894	3	16	40	427
All nursery-acres	769	3	16	391	2,619
Land in orchards-acres	728	2	16	380	2,693

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 .....	339	336	1
\$10,000 or more .....	160	146	10
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	11,097	12,747	-13
Average per farm .....dollars..	22,238	26,446	-16
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	2,572	2,631	-2
Average per farm .....dollars..	5,153	5,458	-6
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	421	421	
Partnership or corporation .....	74	59	25
Other .....	4	2	100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	222	226	-2
Other .....	277	256	8
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	408	397	3
Female .....	91	85	7
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	499	481	4
Black and other races .....	-	1	-100
Average age of operator .....	53.4	53.5	-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.