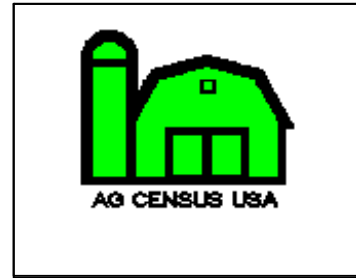


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### Land in farms

Decreased 15 percent from 50,076 acres in 1992 to 42,607 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 20 percent from 172 acres in 1992 to 137 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

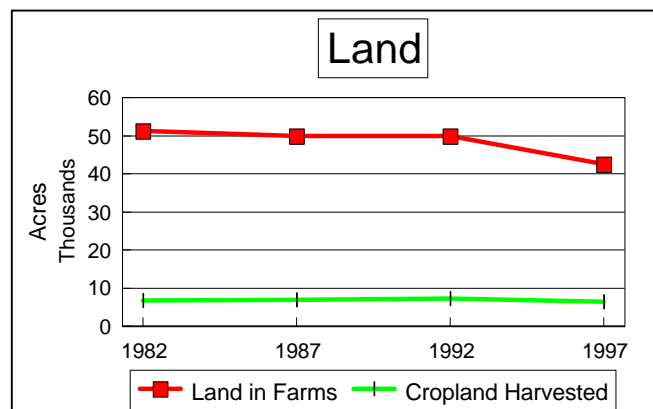
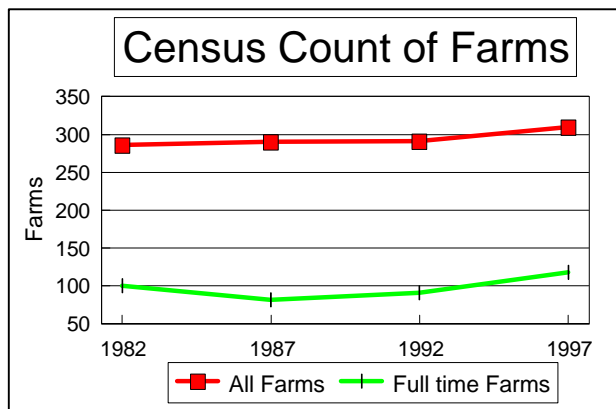
Increased 30 percent from 91 farms in 1992 to 118 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

Increased 100 percent to \$30,448,000 in 1997.

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

Increased 88 percent from \$52,357 in 1992 to \$98,219 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	30,448	5	16	1,708	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	(D)	3	16	1,082	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	(D)	8	16	1,980	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
All other livestock & products	(D)	1	14	2	1,649
Fruits, nuts, berries	4,603	3	16	155	2,547
Aquaculture	(D)	2	12	51	1,505
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1,508	7	16	805	2,790
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	342	10	16	886	2,739
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	2	15	630	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	11	16	781	2,203
Turkeys sold	1,127	3	16	444	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	478	9	16	2,077	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	470	8	16	1,288	2,765
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Broiler inventory	(D)	2	16	608	2,620
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	7	15	380	2,549
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,373	10	16	1,055	3,002
All turkeys inventory	743	1	16	384	2,361
Sheep and lamb inventory	500	11	16	1,418	2,864
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Total berries-acres	3,541	2	16	16	2,058
Hay crops-acres	2,122	16	16	2,693	3,061
All nursery-acres	476	6	16	556	2,619
Corn for silage-acres	(D)	14	16	1,884	2,473
Land in orchards-acres	101	12	16	1,035	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 .....	207	183	13
\$10,000 or more .....	103	108	-5
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	17,312	13,021	33
Average per farm .....dollars..	55,846	44,747	25
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	12,935	1,621	698
Average per farm .....dollars..	41,725	5,569	649
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	273	256	7
Partnership or corporation .....	35	32	9
Other .....	2	3	-33
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	118	91	30
Other .....	192	200	-4
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	244	237	3
Female .....	66	54	22
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	309	290	7
Black and other races .....	1	1	
Average age of operator .....	56.1	55.5	1

(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.