

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 10 percent from 47,308 acres in 1992 to 42,667 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 22 percent from 230 acres in 1992 to 179 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 2 percent from 112 farms in 1992 to 114 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

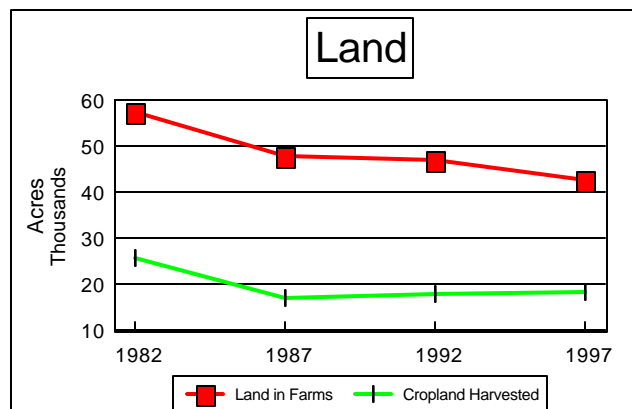
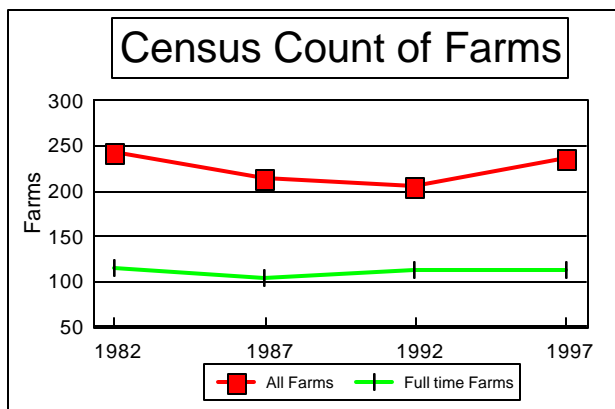
Decreased 29 percent to \$6,769,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 24 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 76 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 39 percent from \$46,474 in 1992 to \$28,442 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	6,769	59	83	2,669	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	5,155	47	83	2,347	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	1,614	67	82	2,588	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	3,674	41	78	773	2,563
Cattle and calves	1,368	47	83	2,387	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	588	54	82	1,456	3,043
Corn for grain	360	54	75	1,670	2,582
Wheat	189	47	73	1,539	2,578
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	3,115	47	83	2,466	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	375	40	79	1,410	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold	288	62	81	2,280	2,976
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	50	47	64	1,623	2,203
Turkeys sold	50	37	60	717	1,353
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	7,013	47	83	2,404	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	567	36	79	1,333	2,864
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	555	54	81	1,597	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	429	46	83	1,799	3,066
Hogs and pigs inventory	172	62	80	2,313	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	11,841	45	83	1,523	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	2,837	54	77	1,533	2,691
Corn for silage-acres	1,813	40	77	734	2,473
Wheat-acres	905	50	76	1,693	2,612
Soybeans for beans-acres	801	44	64	1,625	2,144

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	154	135	14
\$10,000 or more	84	71	18
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	4,952	8,653	-43
Average per farmdollars..	20,892	41,803	-50
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,220	833	46
Average per farmdollars..	5,150	4,026	28
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	219	191	15
Partnership or corporation	19	15	27
Other			
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	114	112	2
Other	124	94	32
Operators by sex:			
Male	212	197	8
Female	26	9	189
Operators by race:			
White	235	203	16
Black and other races	3	3	
Average age of operator	56.1	54.9	2

(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.