

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 8 percent from 193,956 acres in 1992 to 178,249 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 1 percent from 173 acres in 1992 to 175 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 14 percent from 570 farms in 1992 to 488 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

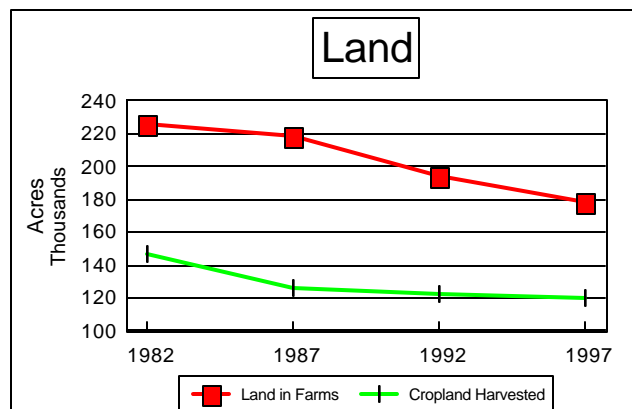
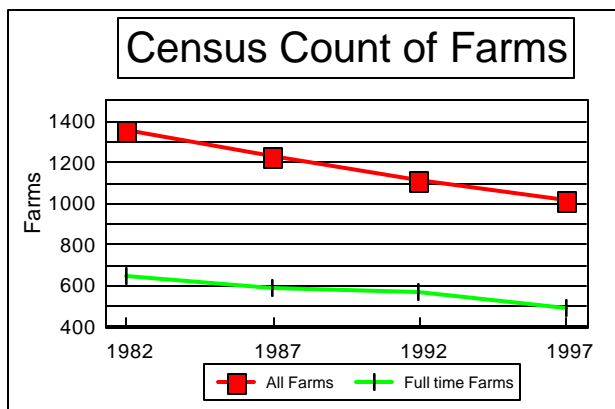
Increased 13 percent to \$54,255,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 59 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 41 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 24 percent from \$42,987 in 1992 to \$53,191 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	54,255	26	83	1,101	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	32,266	28	82	884	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	21,989	21	83	1,148	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	11,533	21	78	333	2,563
Cattle and calves	8,484	8	83	1,031	3,063
Corn for grain	8,418	25	75	617	2,582
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	6,228	11	81	156	2,739
Nursery and greenhouse crops	5,646	18	82	354	2,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	4	66	679	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	12,623	11	83	1,404	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	6,738	36	81	1,135	2,976
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	17	67	485	2,200
Sheep and lambs sold	1,188	13	79	722	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	23,621	13	83	1,370	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	4,354	33	80	1,063	3,005
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	3,687	9	80	306	2,884
Broiler inventory	3,665	3	78	663	2,620
Horse and pony inventory	1,921	7	83	234	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	40,124	28	77	582	2,691
Hay crops-acres	30,884	9	83	656	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	28,400	26	64	694	2,144
Wheat-acres	7,929	22	76	857	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	6,475	13	77	222	2,473

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	593	651	-9
\$10,000 or more	427	468	-9
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	43,867	44,836	-2
Average per farmdollars..	42,880	40,032	7
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	9,254	4,568	103
Average per farmdollars..	9,046	4,079	122
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	875	989	-12
Partnership or corporation	140	124	13
Other	5	6	-17
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	488	570	-14
Other	532	549	-3
Operators by sex:			
Male	895	994	-10
Female	125	125	
Operators by race:			
White	1,016	1,115	-9
Black and other races	4	4	
Average age of operator	53.7	52.2	3

(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.