

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service



## LIVINGSTON MICHIGAN

### Land in farms

Decreased 17 percent from 118,764 acres in 1992 to 98,297 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 11 percent from 174 acres in 1992 to 154 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 11 percent from 312 farms in 1992 to 278 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

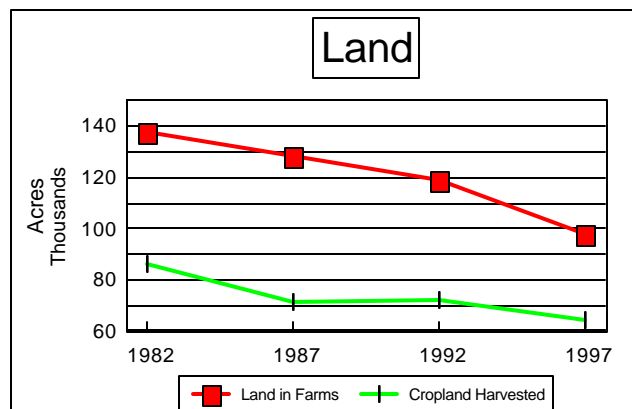
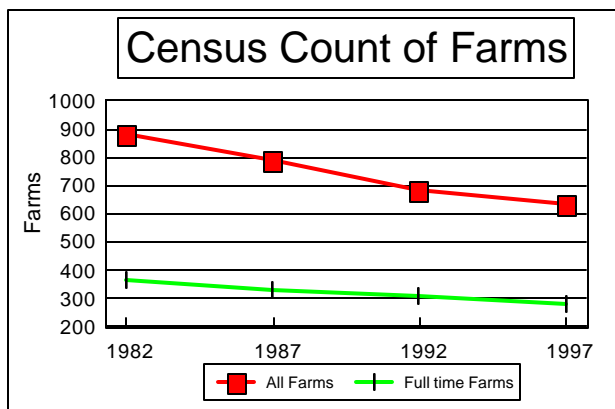
Decreased 3 percent to \$28,455,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 65 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 35 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 5 percent from \$42,736 in 1992 to \$44,671 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	28,455	39	83	1,794	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	18,519	39	82	1,320	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	9,936	36	83	1,865	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Dairy products	5,953	33	78	559	2,563
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	(D)	15	81	201	2,739
Corn for grain	4,227	33	75	859	2,582
Nursery and greenhouse crops	4,195	24	82	445	2,790
Soybeans	3,011	33	64	881	2,136
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	4,777	35	83	2,200	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	3,061	44	81	1,404	2,976
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	997	20	66	942	1,882
Sheep and lambs sold	920	20	79	853	2,765
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	30	67	880	2,200
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	10,896	34	83	2,065	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	2,329	41	80	1,281	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	2,006	5	83	214	3,066
Colony of bees inventory	1,983	10	75	306	2,588
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,229	17	79	801	2,864
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	23,948	32	77	753	2,691
Hay crops-acres	15,683	32	83	1,269	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	13,693	34	64	914	2,144
Wheat-acres	6,184	28	76	960	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	2,848	32	77	513	2,473

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 .....	367	423	-13
\$10,000 or more .....	270	260	4
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	25,194	25,846	-3
Average per farm .....dollars..	39,676	37,898	5
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	3,335	3,120	7
Average per farm .....dollars..	5,251	4,575	15
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	542	610	-11
Partnership or corporation .....	94	73	29
Other .....	1	-	
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	278	312	-11
Other .....	359	371	-3
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	539	622	-13
Female .....	98	61	61
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	630	678	-7
Black and other races .....	7	5	40
Average age of operator .....	53.6	53.4	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.