

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service



ARENAC MICHIGAN

Land in farms

Increased 5 percent from 82,418 acres in 1992 to 86,240 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 11 percent from 299 acres in 1992 to 265 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 6 percent from 177 farms in 1992 to 167 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

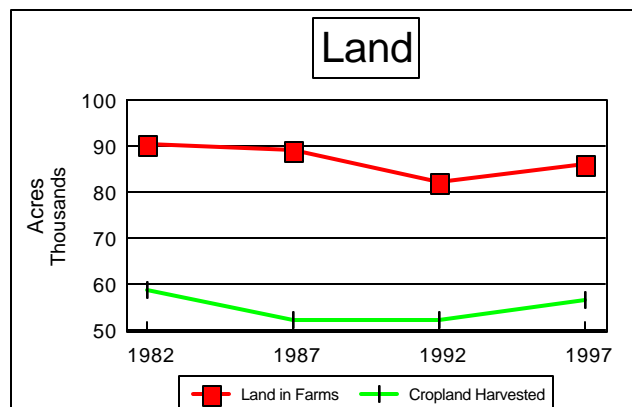
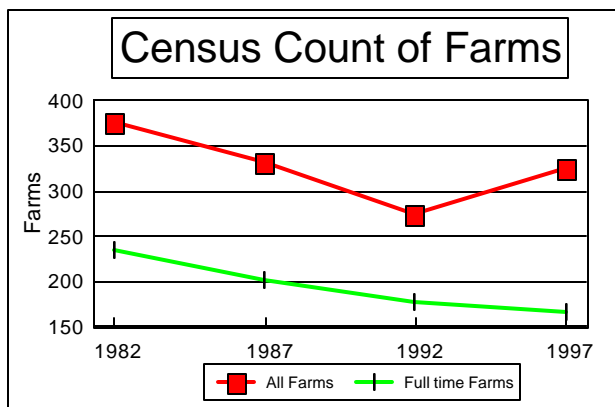
Increased 18 percent to \$23,118,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 71 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 29 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased slightly from \$71,198 in 1992 to \$71,133 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	23,118	44	83	1,986	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	16,441	40	82	1,422	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	6,677	44	83	2,169	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	5,356	37	78	609	2,563
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	4,640	10	78	239	2,237
Corn for grain	2,909	36	75	987	2,582
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	2,375	21	81	326	2,739
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	2,345	8	75	198	1,971
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	2,366	52	83	2,593	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	1,628	47	81	1,635	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	59	79	1,949	2,765
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	56	64	1,772	2,203
Horses and ponies sold	19	67	81	2,467	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	7,177	45	83	2,390	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	1,207	44	80	1,528	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	167	73	81	2,407	3,002
Broiler inventory	156	53	78	1,423	2,620
Horse and pony inventory	141	72	83	2,749	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	14,348	37	77	932	2,691
Hay crops-acres	9,751	53	83	1,745	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	8,408	37	64	1,054	2,144
Sugarbeets, sugar-acres	5,542	7	32	55	199
Wheat-acres	5,430	30	76	1,014	2,612

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	169	112	51
\$10,000 or more	156	164	-5
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	15,490	13,588	14
Average per farmdollars..	47,808	49,232	-3
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	6,944	4,566	52
Average per farmdollars..	21,432	16,543	30
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	288	248	16
Partnership or corporation	36	28	29
Other	1	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	167	177	-6
Other	158	99	60
Operators by sex:			
Male	288	261	10
Female	37	15	147
Operators by race:			
White	324	276	17
Black and other races	1	-	
Average age of operator	55.3	53.1	4

(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.