

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service



MUSKEGON MICHIGAN

Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 73,661 acres in 1992 to 73,113 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased slightly from 177 acres in 1992 to 178 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 3 percent from 178 farms in 1992 to 184 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

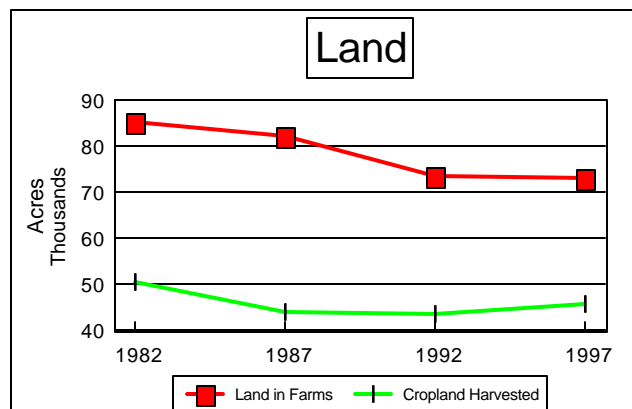
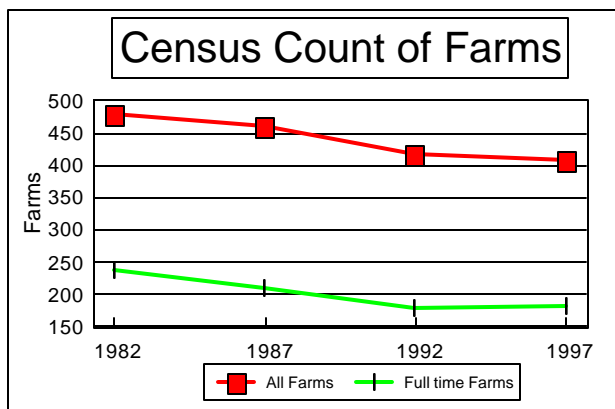
Increased 50 percent to \$44,435,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 54 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 46 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 52 percent from \$71,123 in 1992 to \$108,379 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	44,435	33	83	1,323	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	23,995	34	82	1,117	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	20,440	24	83	1,227	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	14,462	15	78	280	2,563
Fruits, nuts, berries	6,536	9	80	133	2,547
Nursery and greenhouse crops	6,240	16	82	320	2,790
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	5,798	12	81	161	2,739
Cattle and calves	3,013	29	83	1,845	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Turkeys sold	(D)	6	60	198	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	9,083	31	81	1,043	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	6,917	27	83	1,898	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	694	28	67	857	2,200
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	252	28	64	1,186	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
All turkeys inventory	(D)	4	73	184	2,361
Cattle and calves inventory	13,741	29	83	1,867	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	6,202	29	80	957	3,005
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	961	21	80	714	2,884
Horse and pony inventory	784	38	83	1,027	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	14,635	36	77	927	2,691
Hay crops-acres	13,198	38	83	1,412	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	4,605	22	77	327	2,473
Land in orchards-acres	3,734	12	80	146	2,693
Soybeans for beans-acres	3,453	39	64	1,281	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	235	260	-10
\$10,000 or more	175	157	11
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	34,487	25,252	37
Average per farmdollars..	83,911	60,557	39
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	9,463	2,463	284
Average per farmdollars..	23,025	5,907	290
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	357	365	-2
Partnership or corporation	52	49	6
Other	1	3	-67
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	184	178	3
Other	226	239	-5
Operators by sex:			
Male	378	378	
Female	32	39	-18
Operators by race:			
White	405	416	-3
Black and other races	5	1	400
Average age of operator	53.8	50.7	6

(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.