

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 129,083 acres in 1992 to 127,994 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 3 percent from 217 acres in 1992 to 223 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 4 percent from 284 farms in 1992 to 295 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

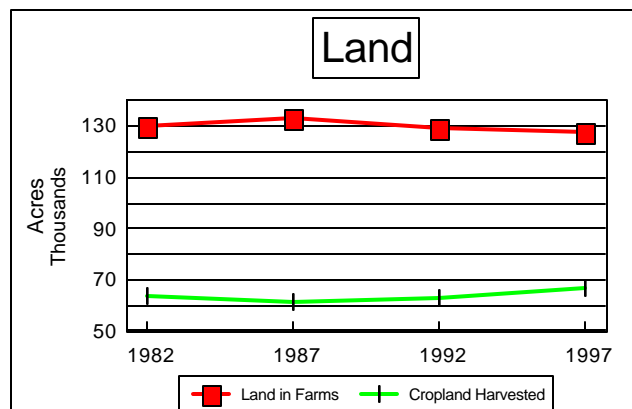
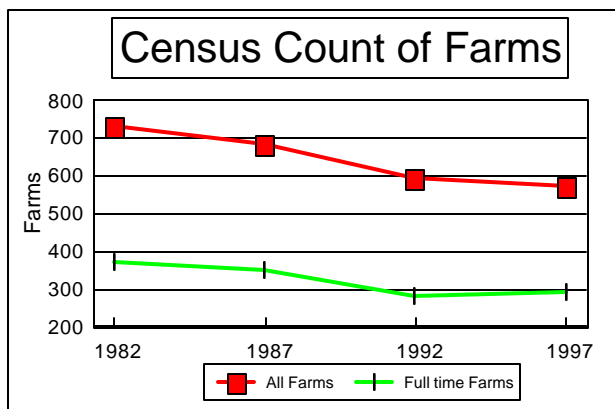
Increased 13 percent to \$49,792,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 75 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 25 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 17 percent from \$74,166 in 1992 to \$86,896 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	49,792	28	83	1,202	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	37,179	22	82	781	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	12,612	33	83	1,667	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	16,507	2	81	73	2,739
Fruits, nuts, berries	14,731	6	80	100	2,547
Dairy products	8,442	28	78	429	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	2,558	27	82	614	2,790
Cattle and calves	2,220	38	83	2,087	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Turkeys sold	(D)	8	60	283	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	6,680	37	81	1,142	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	5,189	32	83	2,136	3,063
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	1,986	11	66	824	1,882
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	26	67	760	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
All turkeys inventory	(D)	8	73	280	2,361
Cattle and calves inventory	11,592	33	83	2,005	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	2,380	40	80	1,269	3,005
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	16	75	379	2,588
Broiler inventory	1,195	11	78	761	2,620
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Land in orchards-acres	15,159	4	80	62	2,693
Land used for vegetables-acres	14,579	1	81	43	2,741
Hay crops-acres	13,665	35	83	1,390	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	10,646	40	77	1,064	2,691
All nursery-acres	6,856	2	82	19	2,619

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	255	265	-4
\$10,000 or more	318	329	-3
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	38,861	36,479	7
Average per farmdollars..	67,701	61,309	10
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	8,121	5,798	40
Average per farmdollars..	14,149	9,744	45
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	497	515	-3
Partnership or corporation	72	73	-1
Other	4	6	-33
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	295	284	4
Other	278	310	-10
Operators by sex:			
Male	534	558	-4
Female	39	36	8
Operators by race:			
White	568	584	-3
Black and other races	5	10	-50
Average age of operator	52.6	51.8	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.