

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 108,726 acres in 1992 to 108,250 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 8 percent from 237 acres in 1992 to 218 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 7 percent from 242 farms in 1992 to 225 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

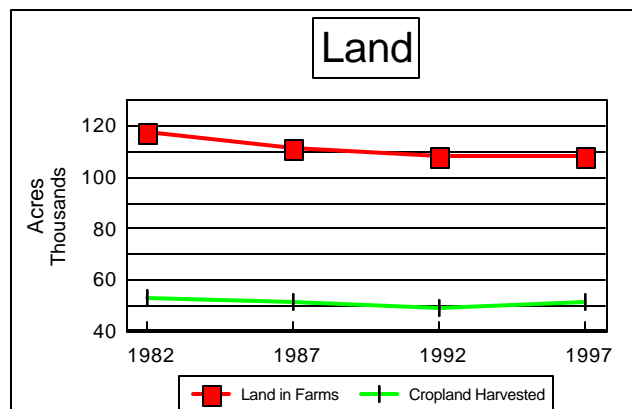
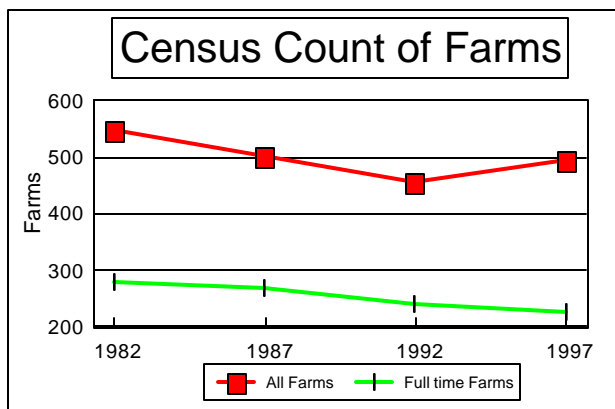
Increased 13 percent to \$19,284,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 18 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 82 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 4 percent from \$37,362 in 1992 to \$38,879 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	19,284	46	83	2,136	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	15,878	28	83	1,455	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	3,406	56	82	2,306	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Dairy products	12,194	19	78	314	2,563
Cattle and calves	3,000	30	83	1,849	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	1,613	17	82	519	3,043
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1,216	39	82	897	2,790
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	(D)	36	78	718	2,237
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	7,400	26	83	1,850	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	1,338	48	81	1,718	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	915	21	79	859	2,765
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	422	32	67	980	2,200
Rabbits and their pelts sold	271	13	62	510	1,593
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	20,059	20	83	1,536	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,084	22	79	895	2,864
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,075	27	81	1,160	3,002
Hogs and pigs inventory	808	48	80	1,691	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	620	43	83	1,296	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	41,531	3	83	401	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	4,527	24	77	333	2,473
Corn for grain-acres	4,111	51	77	1,404	2,691
All nursery-acres	1,623	15	82	175	2,619
Oats-acres	776	41	83	770	2,332

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 .....	312	302	3
\$10,000 or more .....	184	156	18
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	15,213	16,244	-6
Average per farm .....dollars..	30,609	35,468	-14
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	2,004	2,078	-4
Average per farm .....dollars..	4,032	4,538	-11
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	465	416	12
Partnership or corporation .....	31	40	-23
Other .....	-	2	-100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	225	242	-7
Other .....	271	216	25
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	458	437	5
Female .....	38	21	81
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	490	456	7
Black and other races .....	6	2	200
Average age of operator .....	53.5	53.0	1

(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.