

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 3 percent from 444,407 acres in 1992 to 429,706 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 4 percent from 310 acres in 1992 to 297 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 1,003 farms in 1992 to 898 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

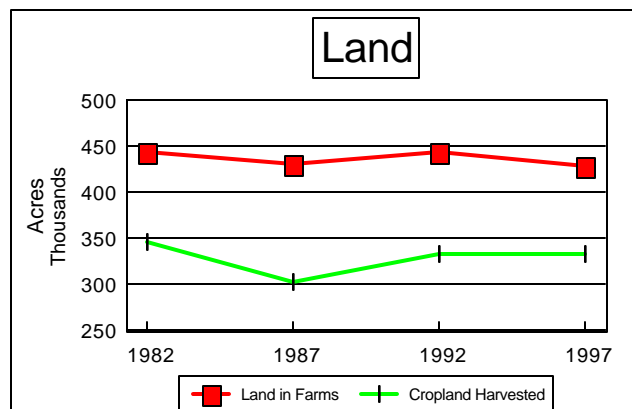
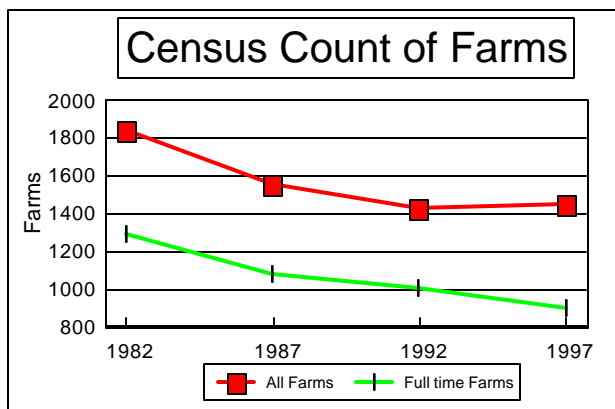
Increased 13 percent to \$132,513,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 57 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 43 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 12 percent from \$81,631 in 1992 to \$91,514 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	132,513	4	83	312	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	75,027	8	82	273	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	57,486	4	83	420	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	45,363	1	78	86	2,563
Soybeans	21,822	4	64	248	2,136
Corn for grain	19,397	8	75	345	2,582
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	10,444	7	78	131	2,237
Cattle and calves	10,166	6	83	882	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	21,931	3	83	900	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	18,555	24	81	836	2,976
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	12	64	914	2,203
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	15	67	426	2,200
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	919	21	66	951	1,882
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	59,423	2	83	463	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	10,339	22	80	792	3,005
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	4,409	8	80	269	2,884
Colony of bees inventory	1,992	9	75	305	2,588
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,874	18	81	978	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	103,213	3	64	194	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	90,245	4	77	251	2,691
Hay crops-acres	54,697	1	83	221	3,061
Wheat-acres	31,433	2	76	421	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	19,786	1	77	33	2,473

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	570	499	14
\$10,000 or more	878	934	-6
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	102,825	94,707	9
Average per farmdollars..	71,061	66,044	8
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	26,873	22,547	19
Average per farmdollars..	18,571	15,723	18
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	1,284	1,253	2
Partnership or corporation	160	178	-10
Other	4	2	100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	898	1,003	-10
Other	550	430	28
Operators by sex:			
Male	1,340	1,351	-1
Female	108	82	32
Operators by race:			
White	1,445	1,429	1
Black and other races	3	4	-25
Average age of operator	52.8	51.6	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.