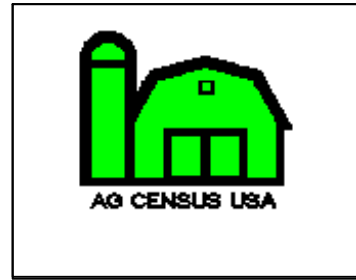


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Land in farms

Increased 1 percent from 25,666,944 acres in 1992 to 25,994,621 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 4 percent from 342 acres in 1992 to 354 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 14 percent from 51,021 farms in 1992 to 44,047 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

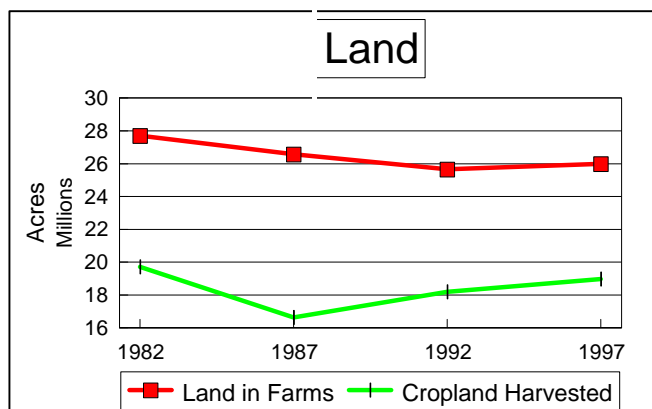
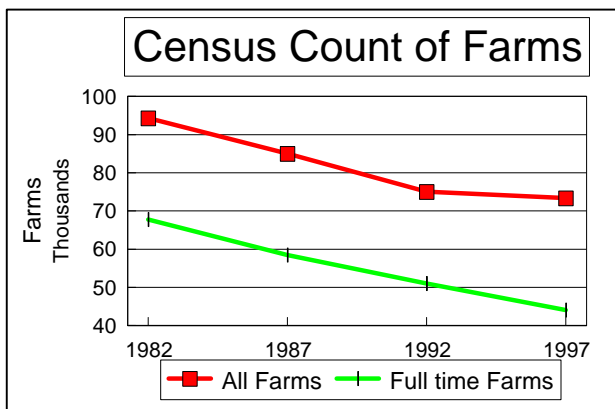
Increased 28 percent to \$8,290,264,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 51 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 49 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 31 percent from \$86,269 in 1992 to \$112,997 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	8,290,264	7	50
Value of crops including nursery	4,200,970	6	50
Value of livestock and poultry	4,089,293	7	50
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)			
Corn for grain	1,578,147	4	48
Hogs and pigs	1,449,187	3	50
Soybeans	1,433,590	3	40
Dairy products	1,093,657	5	50
Poultry & poultry products	744,210	10	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)			
Turkeys sold	47,184,751	2	49
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	28,456,532	22	50
Hogs and pigs sold	12,943,053	3	50
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	11,114,663	11	50
Cattle and calves sold	1,339,902	14	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)			
All turkeys inventory	16,220,257	2	50
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	11,951,233	10	50
Hogs and pigs inventory	5,722,460	3	50
Broiler inventory	4,143,057	23	50
Cattle and calves inventory	2,395,456	13	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA			
Corn for grain-acres	6,227,640	4	48
Soybeans for beans-acres	6,174,563	3	42
Wheat-acres	2,391,598	9	46
Hay crops-acres	2,168,932	10	50
Sugarbeets, sugar-acres	456,360	1	16

Other State Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	26,086	22,140	18
\$10,000 or more	47,281	52,939	-11
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	6,362,110	5,244,708	21
Average per farmdollars..	86,707	69,860	24
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,835,509	1,216,890	51
Average per farmdollars..	25,015	16,209	54
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	64,428	66,068	-2
Partnership or corporation	8,616	8,782	-2
Other	323	229	41
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	44,047	51,021	-14
Other	29,320	24,058	22
Operators by sex:			
Male	69,750	72,148	-3
Female	3,617	2,931	23
Operators by race:			
White	73,171	74,965	-2
Black and other races	196	114	72
Average age of operator	51.2	49.6	3

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

* Universe is number of states in U.S. with item.