

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased 3 percent from 566,981 acres in 1992 to 581,226 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 1 percent from 648 acres in 1992 to 655 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 8 percent from 674 farms in 1992 to 617 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

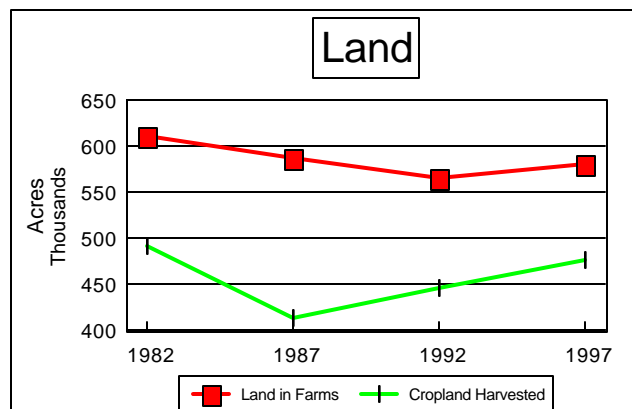
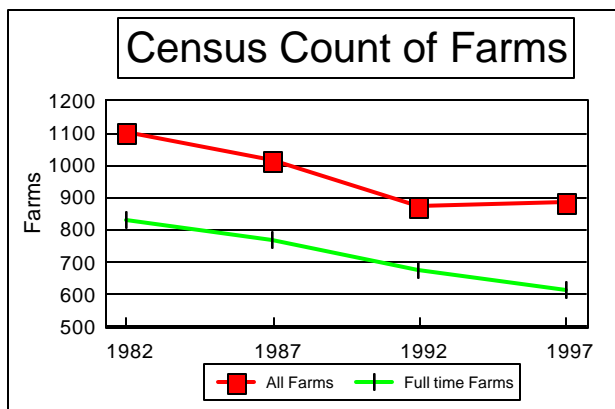
Increased 14 percent to \$137,664,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 82 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 18 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 13 percent from \$137,602 in 1992 to \$155,202 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	137,664	23	87	293	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	112,489	5	87	115	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	25,175	51	87	1,030	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	51,567	2	77	20	2,237
Wheat	24,871	3	83	49	2,578
Soybeans	20,188	34	82	292	2,136
Poultry & poultry products	11,619	15	87	401	2,901
Corn for grain	7,666	53	84	649	2,582
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	824,000	7	74	106	2,203
Turkeys sold (D)	(D)	34	69	204	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	16,112	57	85	880	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	10,209	52	87	1,594	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	983	46	86	821	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	658,259	7	86	119	3,002
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory (D)	(D)	6	53	141	1,790
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory (D)	(D)	5	74	140	2,549
All turkeys inventory (D)	(D)	40	81	274	2,361
Cattle and calves inventory	17,855	52	87	1,640	3,064
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Wheat-acres	204,620	4	84	59	2,612
Soybeans for beans-acres	104,972	25	82	184	2,144
Sugarbeets, sugar-acres	70,103	2	30	2	199
Corn for grain-acres	35,964	54	85	617	2,691
Barley-acres	25,420	7	85	63	1,411

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	271	168	61
\$10,000 or more	616	707	-13
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	111,634	96,592	16
Average per farmdollars..	125,573	110,517	14
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	25,170	22,660	11
Average per farmdollars..	28,313	25,927	9
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	695	691	1
Partnership or corporation	188	179	5
Other	4	5	-20
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	617	674	-8
Other	270	201	34
Operators by sex:			
Male	846	849	-0
Female	41	26	58
Operators by race:			
White	886	875	1
Black and other races	1	-	
Average age of operator	50.8	48.6	5

(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.