

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service



COTTONWOOD MINNESOTA

Land in farms

Decreased 2 percent from 374,920 acres in 1992 to 368,346 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 10 percent from 428 acres in 1992 to 470 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 19 percent from 708 farms in 1992 to 575 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

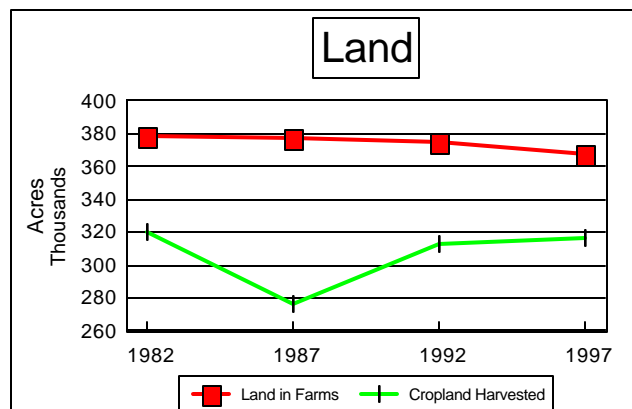
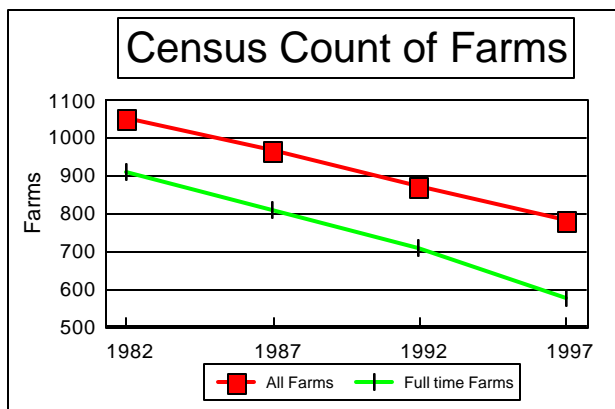
Increased 26 percent to \$160,266,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 50 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 50 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 41 percent from \$145,195 in 1992 to \$204,420 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	160,266	15	87	212	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	80,387	19	87	270	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	79,879	16	87	239	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Hogs and pigs	45,390	12	85	55	2,976
Soybeans	39,180	10	82	53	2,136
Corn for grain	39,154	10	84	117	2,582
Cattle and calves	21,748	6	87	358	3,063
Poultry & poultry products	10,500	16	87	426	2,901
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Turkeys sold	874,000	13	69	89	1,353
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	546,530	5	79	513	1,882
Hogs and pigs sold	339,921	16	85	81	2,976
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	17	74	430	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	30,768	12	87	621	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
All turkeys inventory	299,304	14	81	89	2,361
Hogs and pigs inventory	138,938	19	85	99	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	12	86	360	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	29,375	29	87	1,156	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	2,888	13	86	395	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	160,915	13	82	45	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	149,057	14	85	87	2,691
Hay crops-acres	5,269	79	87	2,239	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	3,837	38	85	396	2,473
Oats-acres	648	77	87	853	2,332

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	117	82	43
\$10,000 or more	667	794	-16
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	118,933	105,650	13
Average per farmdollars..	151,700	120,605	26
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	38,831	22,977	69
Average per farmdollars..	49,530	26,229	89
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	665	756	-12
Partnership or corporation	112	118	-5
Other	7	2	250
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	575	708	-19
Other	209	168	24
Operators by sex:			
Male	759	857	-11
Female	25	19	32
Operators by race:			
White	784	876	-11
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	49.5	48.3	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.