

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased slightly from 221,193 acres in 1992 to 221,316 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 2 percent from 255 acres in 1992 to 249 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 7 percent from 476 farms in 1992 to 442 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

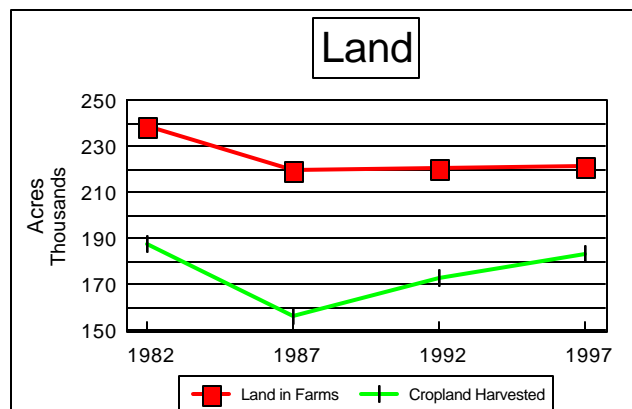
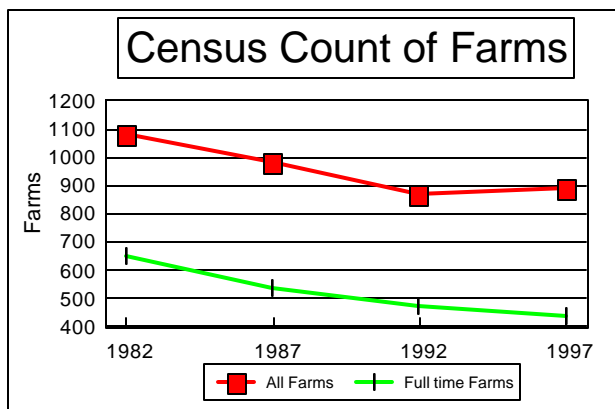
Increased 28 percent to \$102,979,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 63 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 37 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 25 percent from \$92,351 in 1992 to \$115,707 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	102,979	38	87	482	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	64,366	28	87	362	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	38,613	45	87	701	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Corn for grain	25,229	31	84	241	2,582
Soybeans	16,272	42	82	380	2,136
Cattle and calves	15,108	12	87	589	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	14,007	3	80	154	2,790
Dairy products	9,780	34	84	382	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Turkeys sold	(D)	16	69	111	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	54,040	42	85	500	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	22,605	20	87	871	3,063
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	2,456	32	79	793	1,882
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	1,247	28	78	709	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
All turkeys inventory	(D)	34	81	221	2,361
Cattle and calves inventory	32,991	23	87	1,032	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	32,324	38	85	436	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,912	41	86	970	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	1,683	5	87	302	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	88,550	33	85	258	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	64,453	45	82	411	2,144
Hay crops-acres	12,830	53	87	1,436	3,061
Land used for vegetables-acres	8,476	11	84	82	2,741
Corn for silage-acres	3,713	40	85	409	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	341	292	17
\$10,000 or more	549	577	-5
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	82,251	64,125	28
Average per farmdollars..	92,521	73,707	26
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	18,888	15,228	24
Average per farmdollars..	21,247	17,503	21
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	763	744	3
Partnership or corporation	122	122	
Other	5	3	67
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	442	476	-7
Other	448	393	14
Operators by sex:			
Male	814	804	1
Female	76	65	17
Operators by race:			
White	869	867	0
Black and other races	21	2	950
Average age of operator	51.5	50.6	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.