

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Increased 1 percent from 379,603 acres in 1992 to 384,565 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 5 percent from 246 acres in 1992 to 258 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 939 farms in 1992 to 848 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

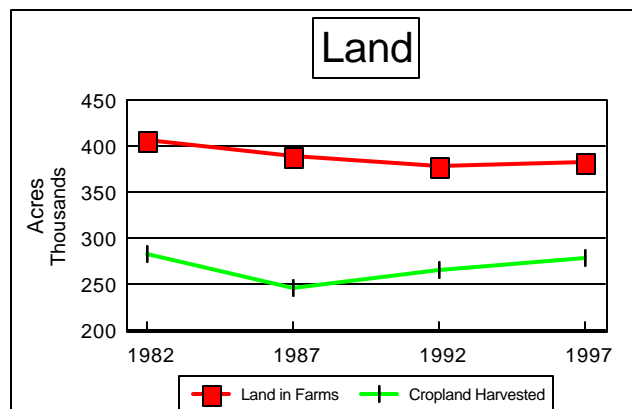
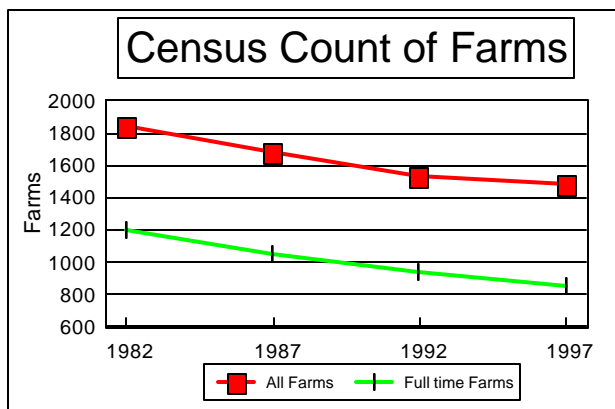
Increased 31 percent to \$160,642,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 40 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 60 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 35 percent from \$79,927 in 1992 to \$107,886 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	160,642	14	87	210	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	95,867	11	87	201	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	64,776	27	87	358	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Dairy products	56,466	4	84	59	2,563
Corn for grain	34,404	15	84	148	2,582
Soybeans	22,129	28	82	242	2,136
Hogs and pigs	21,014	24	85	162	2,976
Cattle and calves	15,091	13	87	591	3,063
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Turkeys sold	(D)	30	69	178	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	220,816	23	85	147	2,976
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	32	74	661	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	29,512	13	87	649	3,063
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	1	55	33	1,593
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs inventory	95,899	23	85	167	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	75,521	5	87	272	3,064
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	9	74	281	2,549
All turkeys inventory	(D)	38	81	253	2,361
Sheep and lamb inventory	3,910	7	86	307	2,864
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	124,130	20	85	138	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	83,718	37	82	288	2,144
Hay crops-acres	51,197	10	87	250	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	11,677	6	85	96	2,473
Land used for vegetables-acres	10,702	7	84	62	2,741

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	462	454	2
\$10,000 or more .....	1,027	1,086	-5
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	119,955	97,659	23
Average per farm .....dollars..	80,615	63,415	27
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	34,945	24,886	40
Average per farm .....dollars..	23,484	16,159	45
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	1,264	1,337	-5
Partnership or corporation .....	220	202	9
Other .....	5	1	400
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	848	939	-10
Other .....	641	601	7
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	1,415	1,486	-5
Female .....	74	54	37
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	1,487	1,539	-3
Black and other races .....	2	1	100
Average age of operator .....	49.9	49.2	1

(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.