

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service



KITTSON MINNESOTA

Land in farms

Increased 4 percent from 482,991 acres in 1992 to 501,466 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 3 percent from 927 acres in 1992 to 899 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 14 percent from 402 farms in 1992 to 344 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

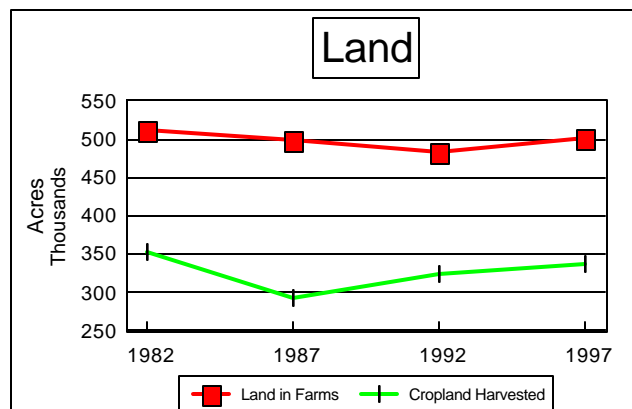
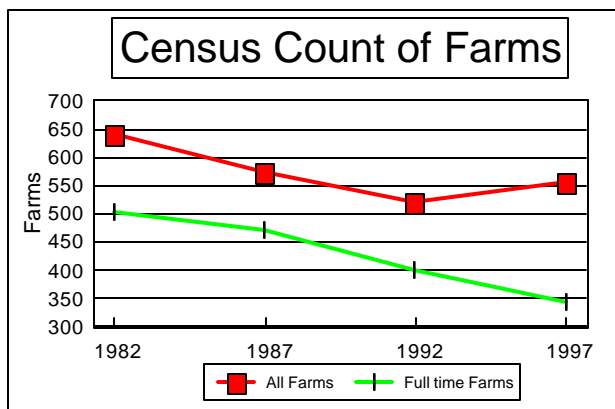
Decreased 10 percent to \$55,591,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 91 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 9 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 16 percent from \$118,234 in 1992 to \$99,626 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	55,591	58	87	1,074	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	50,405	39	87	545	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	5,186	78	87	2,342	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Wheat	20,431	5	83	72	2,578
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	20,366	8	77	72	2,237
Cattle and calves	3,976	59	87	1,641	3,063
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	3,664	6	76	164	1,971
Barley	2,854	6	77	72	1,167
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	7,881	60	87	1,809	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold (D)	(D)	63	85	1,146	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	502	67	86	1,239	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold (D)	(D)	70	79	1,373	1,882
Horses and ponies sold	15	75	85	2,591	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	11,740	65	87	1,995	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory (D)	(D)	67	85	1,202	3,005
Sheep and lamb inventory	857	62	86	1,062	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	305	62	87	2,197	3,066
Broiler inventory	260	62	85	1,192	2,620
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Wheat-acres	216,520	3	84	46	2,612
Sugarbeets, sugar-acres	29,627	8	30	16	199
Barley-acres	28,256	6	85	56	1,411
Hay crops-acres	19,229	39	87	1,072	3,061
Sunflower seed-acres	12,174	4	39	52	674

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	232	111	109
\$10,000 or more	326	410	-20
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	52,714	49,065	7
Average per farmdollars..	94,300	93,993	0
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	3,331	12,212	-73
Average per farmdollars..	5,959	23,396	-75
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	413	390	6
Partnership or corporation	137	129	6
Other	8	2	300
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	344	402	-14
Other	214	119	80
Operators by sex:			
Male	524	499	5
Female	34	22	55
Operators by race:			
White	558	521	7
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	51.7	49.2	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.