

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service



MURRAY MINNESOTA

Land in farms

Increased 2 percent from 375,628 acres in 1992 to 383,725 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 10 percent from 416 acres in 1992 to 459 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 9 percent from 721 farms in 1992 to 656 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

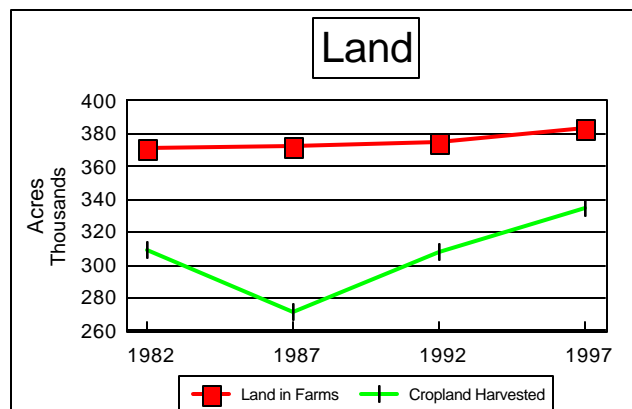
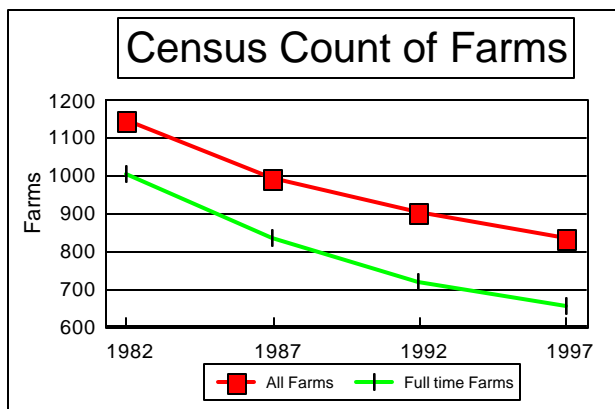
Increased 29 percent to \$126,415,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 55 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 45 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 39 percent from \$108,861 in 1992 to \$151,214 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	126,415	26	87	339	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	69,031	23	87	322	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	57,384	31	87	421	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Soybeans	36,658	13	82	71	2,136
Corn for grain	31,353	22	84	173	2,582
Hogs and pigs	22,568	23	85	145	2,976
Cattle and calves	21,565	7	87	362	3,063
Dairy products	9,867	33	84	380	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	195,140	26	85	175	2,976
Turkeys sold (D)		37	69	231	1,353
Cattle and calves sold	32,865	11	87	561	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	15,790	1	86	80	2,765
Horses and ponies sold (D)		2	85	24	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	109,288	22	85	137	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	42,484	14	87	755	3,064
All turkeys inventory (D)		39	81	270	2,361
Sheep and lamb inventory	8,638	2	86	171	2,864
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	554	62	86	1,598	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	166,425	9	82	33	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	149,288	13	85	85	2,691
Hay crops-acres	13,158	52	87	1,417	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	5,511	28	85	271	2,473
Oats-acres	2,853	32	87	239	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	109	98	11
\$10,000 or more	727	805	-10
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	95,667	78,489	22
Average per farmdollars..	114,434	86,921	32
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	25,973	19,059	36
Average per farmdollars..	31,068	21,106	47
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	747	795	-6
Partnership or corporation	84	100	-16
Other	5	8	-38
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	656	721	-9
Other	180	182	-1
Operators by sex:			
Male	818	873	-6
Female	18	30	-40
Operators by race:			
White	836	902	-7
Black and other races	-	1	-100
Average age of operator	49.6	47.7	4

(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.