

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Increased 3 percent from 241,930 acres in 1992 to 249,259 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 12 percent from 308 acres in 1992 to 345 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 15 percent from 589 farms in 1992 to 502 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

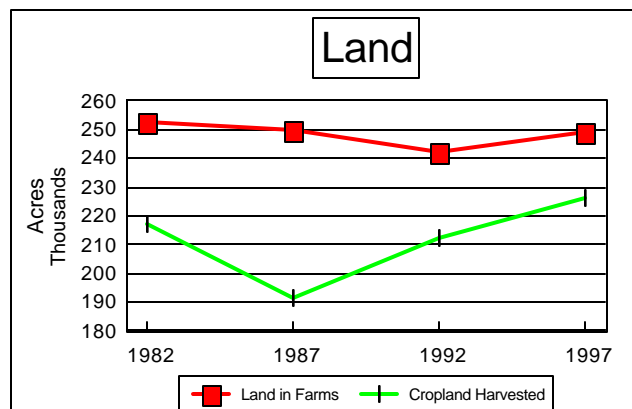
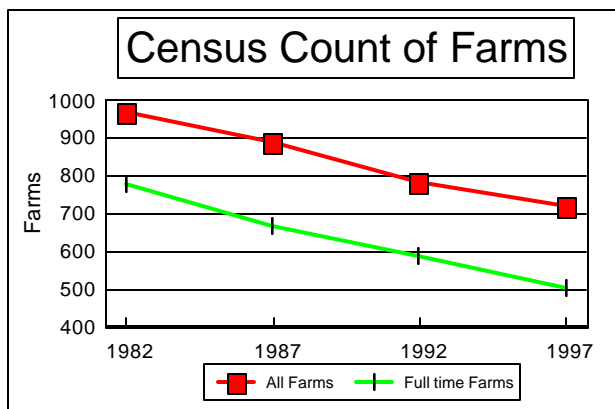
Increased 58 percent to \$172,307,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 35 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 65 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 71 percent from \$138,964 in 1992 to \$238,322 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	172,307	10	87	181	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	111,705	8	87	153	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	60,602	30	87	413	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	66,215	4	85	31	2,976
Corn for grain	30,104	24	84	189	2,582
Soybeans	27,119	21	82	160	2,136
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	10	87	229	2,901
Dairy products	14,397	24	84	281	2,563
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	2	74	82	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	593,036	4	85	34	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	9,817	55	87	1,623	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	794	59	86	955	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	170	65	79	1,293	1,882
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	2	86	31	3,002
Hogs and pigs inventory	218,318	7	85	44	3,005
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	4	53	86	1,790
Cattle and calves inventory	18,941	49	87	1,586	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	4,805	7	76	123	2,588
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Soybeans for beans-acres	104,669	27	82	187	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	104,077	26	85	195	2,691
Hay crops-acres	8,028	69	87	1,905	3,061
Land used for vegetables-acres	5,458	15	84	126	2,741
Corn for silage-acres	3,673	41	85	410	2,473

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 .....	95	105	-10
\$10,000 or more .....	628	681	-8
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	126,258	88,902	42
Average per farm .....dollars..	174,631	113,107	54
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	46,567	21,137	120
Average per farm .....dollars..	64,408	26,892	140
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	598	664	-10
Partnership or corporation .....	122	118	3
Other .....	3	4	-25
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	502	589	-15
Other .....	221	197	12
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	714	767	-7
Female .....	9	19	-53
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	722	784	-8
Black and other races .....	1	2	-50
Average age of operator .....	48.7	47.2	3

(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.