

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service



PENNINGTON MINNESOTA

Land in farms

Increased 12 percent from 280,089 acres in 1992 to 312,752 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 1 percent from 584 acres in 1992 to 592 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 9 percent from 329 farms in 1992 to 301 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

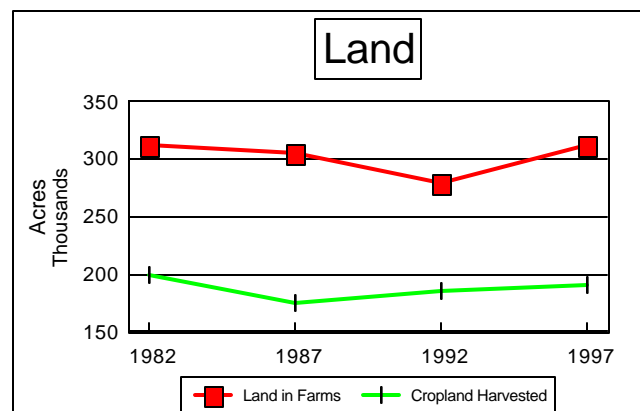
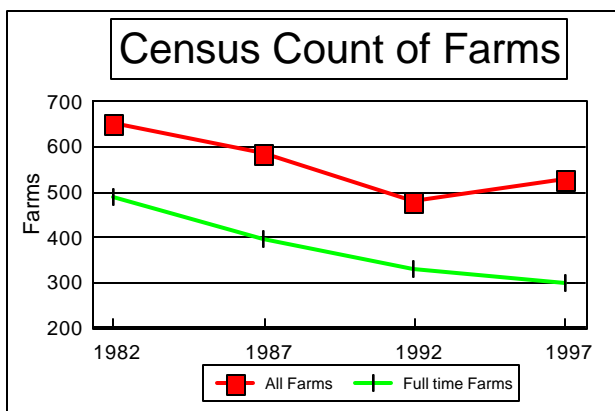
Decreased 19 percent to \$23,895,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 81 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 19 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 26 percent from \$61,157 in 1992 to \$45,255 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	23,895	70	87	1,958	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	19,393	64	87	1,285	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	4,501	81	87	2,410	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Wheat	8,793	11	83	242	2,578
Barley	2,997	5	77	70	1,167
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	2,245	8	76	204	1,971
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	2,218	15	87	343	3,043
Cattle and calves	1,969	78	87	2,177	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	8	74	174	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	3,914	78	87	2,334	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	75	85	1,604	2,976
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	39	79	854	1,882
Sheep and lambs sold	91	83	86	2,043	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	3	53	70	1,790
Cattle and calves inventory	8,158	76	87	2,316	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	25	76	358	2,588
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	73	85	1,476	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	207	74	86	2,288	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Wheat-acres	91,852	8	84	206	2,612
Barley-acres	37,869	3	85	41	1,411
Hay crops-acres	25,223	30	87	809	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	11,073	65	82	966	2,144
Sunflower seed-acres	10,404	5	39	60	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	264	143	85
\$10,000 or more	264	337	-22
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	22,616	22,804	-1
Average per farmdollars..	42,753	47,509	-10
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	26	6,729	-100
Average per farmdollars..	49	14,018	-100
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	482	416	16
Partnership or corporation	44	64	-31
Other	2	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	301	329	-9
Other	227	151	50
Operators by sex:			
Male	495	461	7
Female	33	19	74
Operators by race:			
White	528	478	10
Black and other races	-	2	-100
Average age of operator	53.9	50.9	6

(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.