

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 389,897 acres in 1992 to 388,215 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 2 percent from 513 acres in 1992 to 525 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 14 percent from 601 farms in 1992 to 518 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

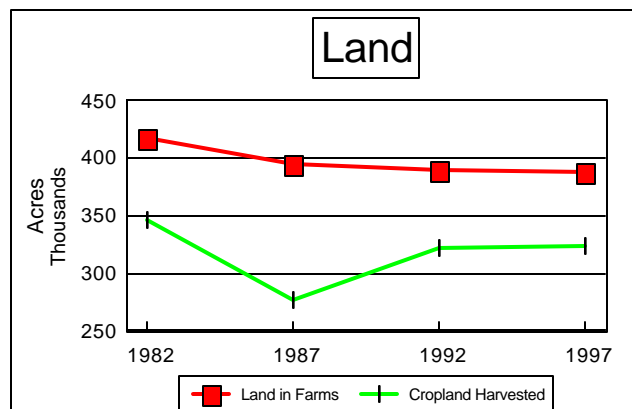
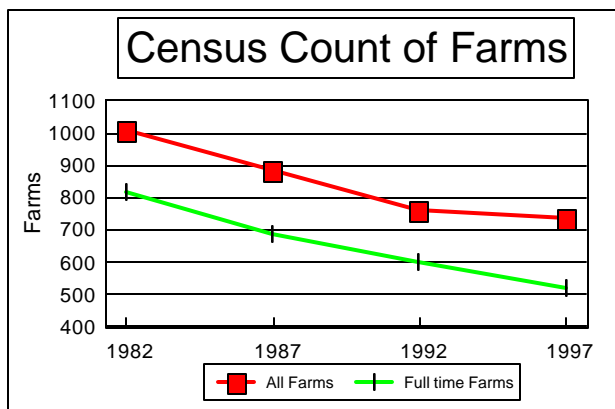
Increased 42 percent to \$119,209,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 64 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 36 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 46 percent from \$110,751 in 1992 to \$161,311 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	119,209	30	87	379	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	76,341	19	87	263	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	42,868	39	87	620	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Corn for grain	37,088	11	84	130	2,582
Soybeans	32,076	16	82	109	2,136
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	11	87	233	2,901
Cattle and calves	7,485	36	87	1,136	3,063
Dairy products	5,185	49	84	621	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Turkeys sold	(D)	6	69	37	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	34,946	51	85	648	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	11,601	49	87	1,480	3,063
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	44	74	862	2,203
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	55	79	1,114	1,882
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
All turkeys inventory	(D)	5	81	20	2,361
Hogs and pigs inventory	23,789	45	85	535	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	18,196	51	87	1,626	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	35	86	803	3,002
Broiler inventory	403	53	85	1,036	2,620
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	145,511	15	82	63	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	142,287	15	85	99	2,691
Hay crops-acres	13,474	51	87	1,403	3,061
Wheat-acres	12,968	21	84	670	2,612
Sugarbeets, sugar-acres	3,646	13	30	73	199

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	155	107	45
\$10,000 or more	584	653	-11
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	99,981	71,004	41
Average per farmdollars..	134,927	93,426	44
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	24,670	10,741	130
Average per farmdollars..	33,293	14,133	136
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	631	671	-6
Partnership or corporation	103	86	20
Other	5	3	67
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	518	601	-14
Other	221	159	39
Operators by sex:			
Male	718	739	-3
Female	21	21	
Operators by race:			
White	738	760	-3
Black and other races	1	-	
Average age of operator	51.0	48.6	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.