

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service



TRAVERSE MINNESOTA

Land in farms

Increased 2 percent from 310,184 acres in 1992 to 315,068 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 1 percent from 806 acres in 1992 to 818 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 6 percent from 325 farms in 1992 to 304 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

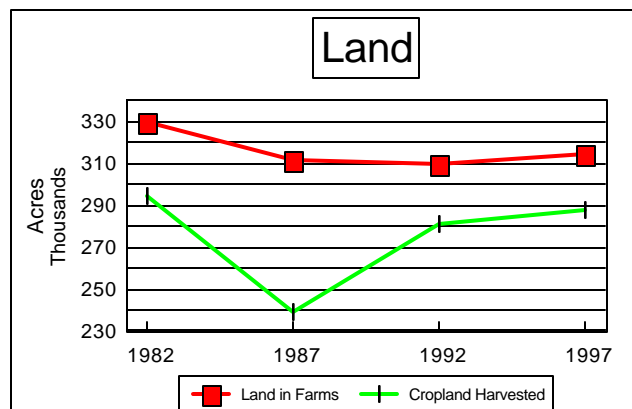
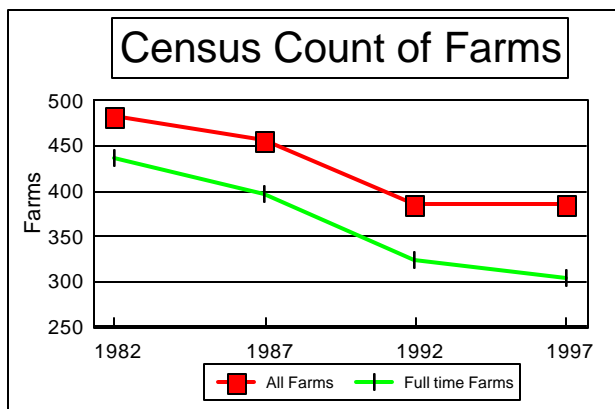
Increased 13 percent to \$68,215,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 88 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 12 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 13 percent from \$156,365 in 1992 to \$177,181 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	68,215	53	87	850	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	60,285	32	87	419	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	7,930	70	87	2,048	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Soybeans	25,718	23	82	184	2,136
Corn for grain	16,670	40	84	405	2,582
Wheat	10,738	8	83	207	2,578
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	5,350	16	77	216	2,237
Hogs and pigs	4,076	49	85	602	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	40,700	49	85	602	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	5,108	73	87	2,153	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	436	72	86	1,332	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	270	61	79	1,191	1,882
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	64	78	1,562	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	21,032	46	85	573	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	6,957	80	87	2,407	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	3,921	8	76	151	2,588
Sheep and lamb inventory	657	68	86	1,232	2,864
Broiler inventory	539	41	85	938	2,620
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	127,872	18	82	106	2,144
Wheat-acres	77,398	9	84	237	2,612
Corn for grain-acres	63,946	45	85	407	2,691
Sugarbeets, sugar-acres	7,341	10	30	49	199
Hay crops-acres	7,000	72	87	2,020	3,061

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	47	28	68
\$10,000 or more	338	357	-5
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	50,657	45,476	11
Average per farmdollars..	131,918	118,119	12
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	17,315	15,474	12
Average per farmdollars..	45,091	40,191	12
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	331	345	-4
Partnership or corporation	54	40	35
Other			
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	304	325	-6
Other	81	60	35
Operators by sex:			
Male	366	375	-2
Female	19	10	90
Operators by race:			
White	385	384	0
Black and other races	-	1	-100
Average age of operator	49.8	48.2	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.