

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased slightly from 347,420 acres in 1992 to 350,398 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 14 percent from 292 acres in 1992 to 332 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 15 percent from 928 farms in 1992 to 791 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

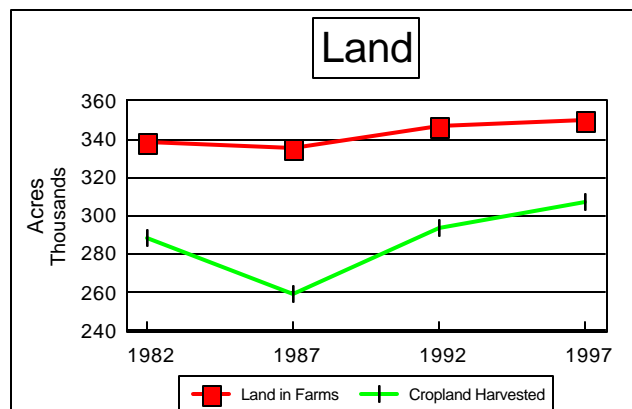
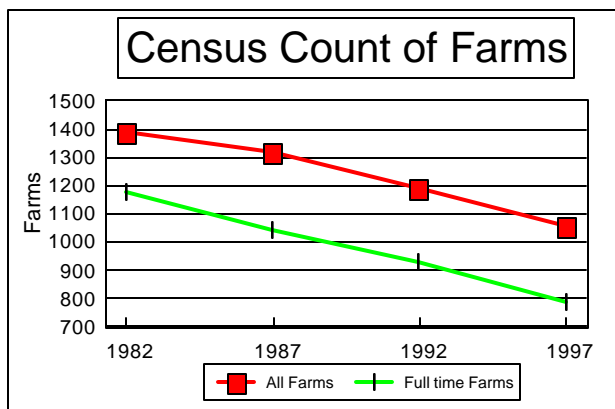
Increased 50 percent to \$181,843,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 43 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 57 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 69 percent from \$102,022 in 1992 to \$172,526 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	181,843	9	87	161	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	104,083	9	87	179	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	77,759	17	87	251	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Hogs and pigs	63,534	5	85	34	2,976
Corn for grain	35,494	13	84	140	2,582
Soybeans	34,951	14	82	84	2,136
Dairy products	16,187	19	84	256	2,563
Cattle and calves	14,201	16	87	638	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Turkeys sold	857,677	14	69	90	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	565,513	5	85	36	2,976
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	13	79	611	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	22,921	18	87	856	3,063
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	45	74	908	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
All turkeys inventory	241,401	15	81	105	2,361
Hogs and pigs inventory	227,511	5	85	40	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	35,765	18	87	936	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	37	86	816	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	2,650	16	86	420	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	138,492	16	82	80	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	134,271	17	85	116	2,691
Land used for vegetables-acres	15,070	2	84	41	2,741
Hay crops-acres	12,343	56	87	1,479	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	5,297	31	85	288	2,473

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	114	127	-10
\$10,000 or more	940	1,063	-12
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	132,437	95,914	38
Average per farmdollars..	125,772	80,600	56
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	50,937	25,885	97
Average per farmdollars..	48,373	21,752	122
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	896	1,049	-15
Partnership or corporation	157	135	16
Other	1	6	-83
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	791	928	-15
Other	263	262	0
Operators by sex:			
Male	1,039	1,161	-11
Female	15	29	-48
Operators by race:			
White	1,054	1,188	-11
Black and other races	-	2	-100
Average age of operator	49.2	48.0	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.