

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service



YELLOW MEDICINE MINNESOTA

Land in farms

Increased 2 percent from 407,953 acres in 1992 to 415,269 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 7 percent from 442 acres in 1992 to 474 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 13 percent from 729 farms in 1992 to 636 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

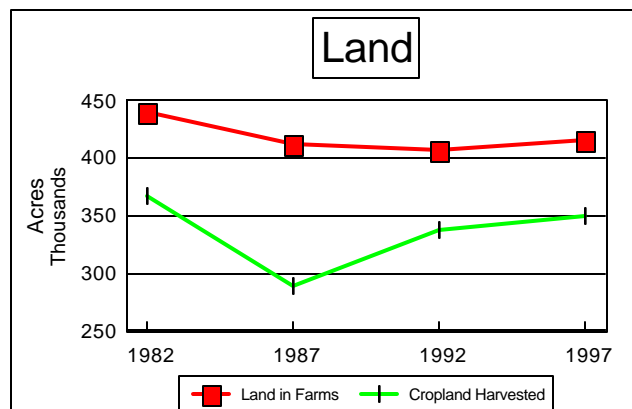
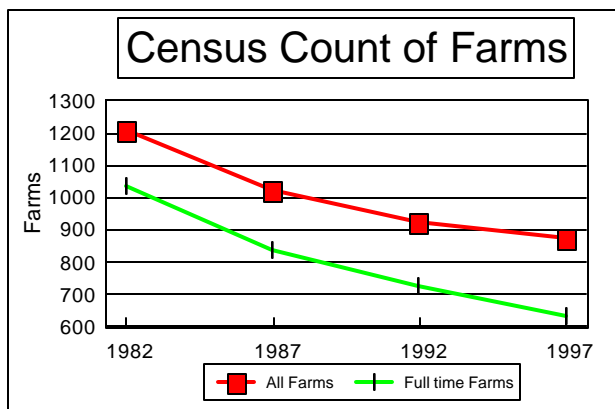
Increased 33 percent to \$125,126,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 66 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 34 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 41 percent from \$101,592 in 1992 to \$142,838 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	125,126	27	87	344	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	82,564	13	87	221	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	42,562	40	87	624	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Corn for grain	39,779	9	84	110	2,582
Soybeans	38,529	11	82	56	2,136
Hogs and pigs	25,486	20	85	124	2,976
Cattle and calves	8,589	29	87	1,019	3,063
Dairy products	5,183	50	84	622	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Turkeys sold	298,630	28	69	162	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	223,451	22	85	143	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	14,053	36	87	1,295	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	1,386	34	86	638	2,765
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	58	78	1,377	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	120,116	20	85	121	3,005
All turkeys inventory	(D)	42	81	287	2,361
Cattle and calves inventory	21,537	47	87	1,472	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	14	76	242	2,588
Sheep and lamb inventory	2,026	25	86	534	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	171,875	6	82	26	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	156,331	11	85	70	2,691
Wheat-acres	12,873	22	84	672	2,612
Hay crops-acres	9,503	64	87	1,764	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	2,729	50	85	535	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	166	123	35
\$10,000 or more	710	800	-11
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	88,554	75,781	17
Average per farmdollars..	101,089	82,103	23
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	31,621	17,347	82
Average per farmdollars..	36,097	18,794	92
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	773	818	-6
Partnership or corporation	92	102	-10
Other	11	3	267
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	636	729	-13
Other	240	194	24
Operators by sex:			
Male	856	903	-5
Female	20	20	
Operators by race:			
White	876	923	-5
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	49.5	47.3	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.