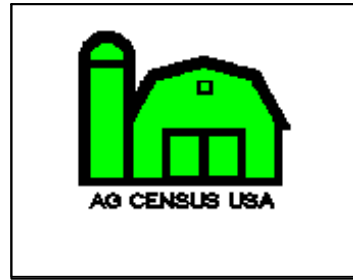


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### Land in farms

Increased 4 percent from 126,352 acres in 1992 to 131,666 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 3 percent from 347 acres in 1992 to 359 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 3 percent from 143 farms in 1992 to 139 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

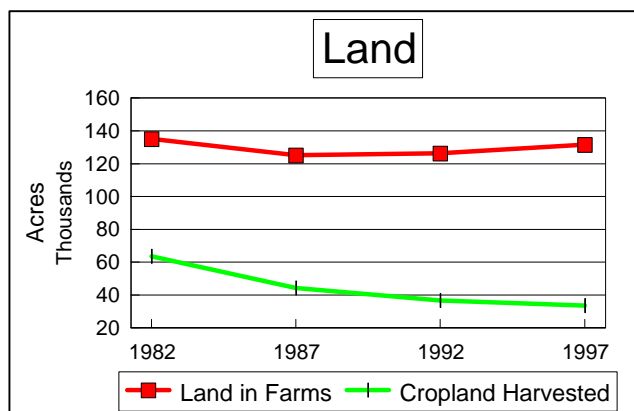
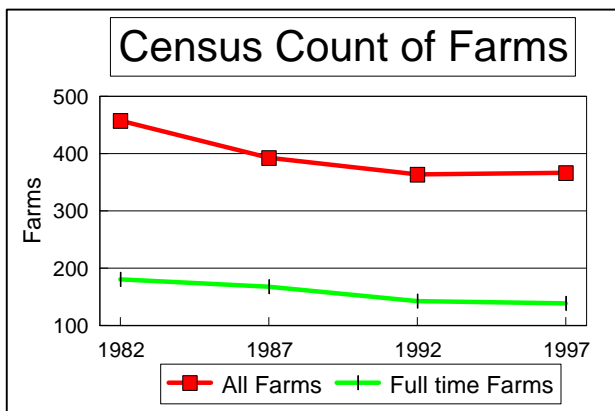
Decreased 26 percent to \$11,325,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 39 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 61 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 27 percent from \$42,078 in 1992 to \$30,857 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	11,325	53	82	2,441	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	6,949	42	82	2,137	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	4,376	41	82	2,195	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	6,227	4	82	1,277	3,063
Soybeans	2,323	28	76	943	2,136
Cotton, cottonseed	1,057	38	61	383	709
Corn for grain	662	37	81	1,475	2,582
Dairy products	511	30	55	1,734	2,563
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	14,449	5	82	1,277	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	25	50	933	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	55	64	74	2,712	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	34	39	78	2,029	3,015
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	27	53	2,425	2,765
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	18,784	25	82	1,599	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	26	76	876	2,884
Horse and pony inventory	383	39	82	1,932	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	199	45	78	2,315	3,002
All goat inventory	89	60	81	1,828	2,983
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Soybeans for beans-acres	16,192	27	76	853	2,144
Hay crops-acres	11,118	23	82	1,604	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	3,913	31	82	1,426	2,691
Cotton-acres	2,462	36	61	402	713
Wheat-acres	445	36	62	1,941	2,612

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	252	233	8
\$10,000 or more .....	115	131	-12
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	9,510	12,755	-25
Average per farm .....dollars..	25,842	35,042	-26
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	1,630	2,749	-41
Average per farm .....dollars..	4,430	7,551	-41
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	313	314	-0
Partnership or corporation .....	54	48	13
Other .....	-	2	-100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	139	143	-3
Other .....	228	221	3
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	324	333	-3
Female .....	43	31	39
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	322	310	4
Black and other races .....	45	54	-17
Average age of operator .....	56.4	54.6	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.