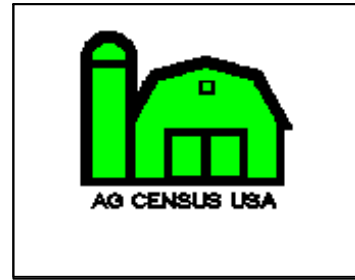


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Land in farms

Increased 5 percent from 112,896 acres in 1992 to 118,137 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 2 percent from 257 acres in 1992 to 251 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 13 percent from 208 farms in 1992 to 180 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

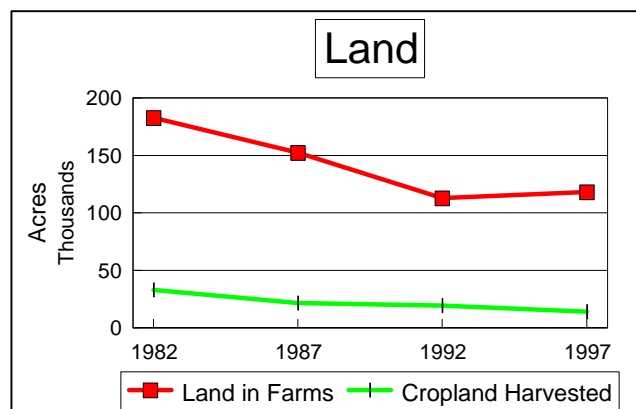
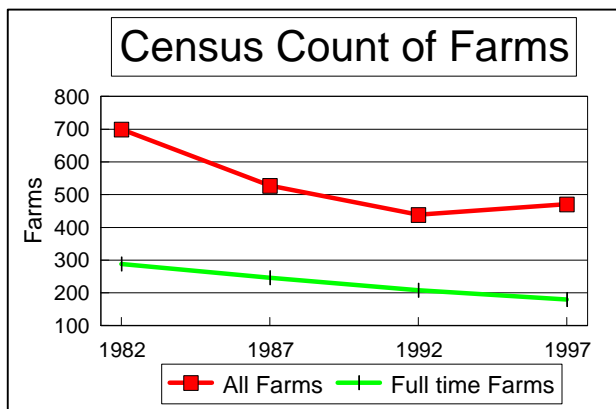
Increased 158 percent to \$28,071,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 2 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 98 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 141 percent from \$24,752 in 1992 to \$59,599 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	28,071	36	82	1,805	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	27,554	25	82	952	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	517	77	82	2,867	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	17,700	19	72	314	2,901
Dairy products	5,749	3	55	574	2,563
Cattle and calves	4,043	15	82	1,622	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	309	9	79	2,046	3,043
Fruits, nuts, berries	(D)	9	75	807	2,547
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	10,060,100	16	45	192	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	11,495	16	82	1,490	3,063
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	11	25	596	1,593
Hogs and pigs sold	72	60	74	2,641	2,976
All goats sold	(D)	51	75	1,744	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	1,662,104	16	61	183	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	19,968	23	82	1,542	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	270	52	82	2,320	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	243	43	78	2,209	3,002
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	169	46	76	1,681	2,884
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	13,671	10	82	1,389	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	665	12	63	1,287	2,473
Wheat-acres	(D)	46	62	2,147	2,612
Corn for grain-acres	125	78	82	2,328	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	(D)	74	76	1,978	2,144

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	343	327	5
\$10,000 or more	128	112	14
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	22,967	9,484	142
Average per farmdollars..	48,762	21,604	126
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	3,522	1,184	197
Average per farmdollars..	7,477	2,698	177
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	432	410	5
Partnership or corporation	34	29	17
Other	5	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	180	208	-13
Other	291	231	26
Operators by sex:			
Male	411	398	3
Female	60	41	46
Operators by race:			
White	413	378	9
Black and other races	58	61	-5
Average age of operator	57.5	59.2	-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.