

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Missouri Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased 13 percent from 111,850 acres in 1992 to 126,905 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 8 percent from 235 acres in 1992 to 254 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 4 percent from 175 farms in 1992 to 168 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

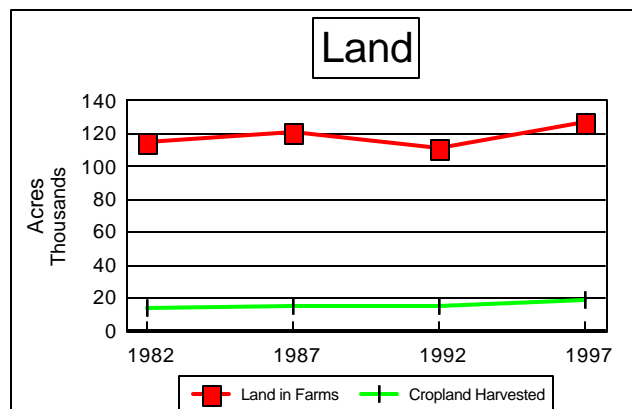
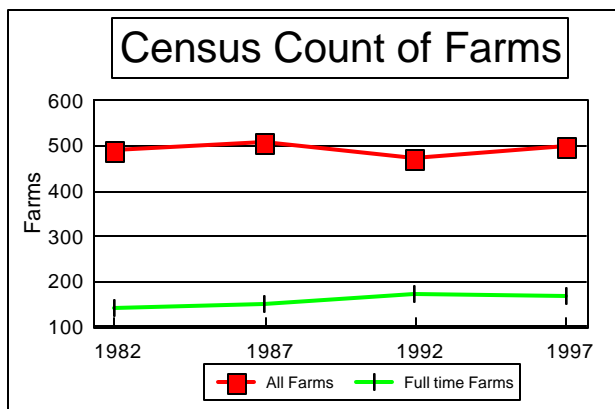
Increased 79 percent to \$24,682,000 in 1997.

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 71 percent from \$28,986 in 1992 to \$49,464 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	24,682	84	114	1,933	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	24,240	43	114	1,065	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	442	110	114	2,894	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Hogs and pigs	(D)	16	114	254	2,976
Cattle and calves	4,717	90	114	1,494	3,063
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	20	113	634	2,901
All other livestock & products	(D)	1	68	50	1,649
Horses and ponies	290	14	113	533	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	8	93	289	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	10,987	91	114	1,530	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	6,597	87	114	1,150	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	471	2	113	90	3,015
Sheep and lambs sold	123	95	108	1,930	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	7	113	238	3,002
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	5	73	179	1,790
Cattle and calves inventory	18,669	93	114	1,602	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	3,416	87	113	1,144	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	555	66	114	1,463	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	18,323	89	114	1,118	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	319	96	106	1,799	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	113	103	111	2,348	2,691
Field seeds-acres	(D)	93	102	667	1,212
Wheat-acres	(D)	108	112	2,425	2,612

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	366	329	11
\$10,000 or more	133	147	-10
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	18,622	12,084	54
Average per farmdollars..	37,319	25,386	47
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	4,958	1,715	189
Average per farmdollars..	9,936	3,603	176
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	463	426	9
Partnership or corporation	34	48	-29
Other	2	2	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	168	175	-4
Other	331	301	10
Operators by sex:			
Male	460	428	7
Female	39	48	-19
Operators by race:			
White	497	473	5
Black and other races	2	3	-33
Average age of operator	54.6	55.1	-1

(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.