

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Missouri Agricultural Statistics Service



## CLAY MISSOURI

### Land in farms

Increased 3 percent from 130,358 acres in 1992 to 134,156 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 7 percent from 199 acres in 1992 to 212 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 2 percent from 227 farms in 1992 to 222 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

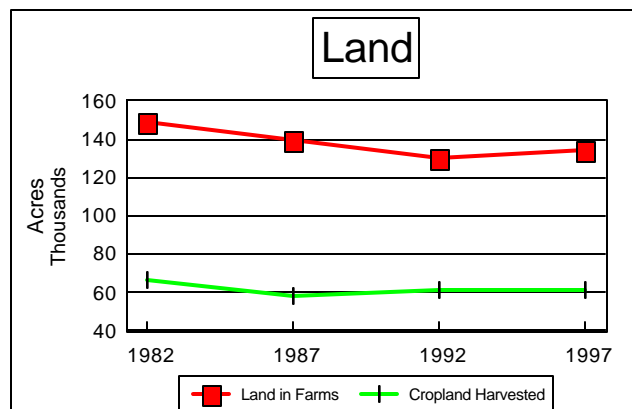
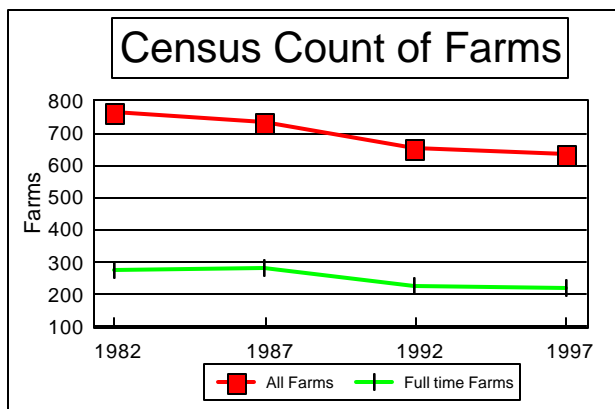
Increased 18 percent to \$26,319,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 44 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 56 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 22 percent from \$34,132 in 1992 to \$41,512 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	26,319	81	114	1,876	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	14,842	66	114	1,520	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	11,476	61	114	1,670	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	11,534	42	114	787	3,063
Soybeans	5,885	59	106	706	2,136
Hogs and pigs	2,771	55	114	720	2,976
Corn for grain	2,562	62	106	1,031	2,582
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1,606	12	112	779	2,790
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	20	64	638	1,882
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	39	114	540	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	21,025	51	114	932	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	283	72	108	1,545	2,765
Colonies of bees sold	(D)	2	17	155	611
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	21,366	87	114	1,477	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	11,654	56	113	747	3,005
Broiler inventory	(D)	22	108	724	2,620
Horse and pony inventory	952	31	114	798	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	300	99	113	2,058	3,002
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Soybeans for beans-acres	26,183	59	106	718	2,144
Hay crops-acres	22,992	74	114	892	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	9,080	67	111	1,116	2,691
Wheat-acres	4,237	59	112	1,142	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	(D)	57	101	1,399	2,473

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 .....	403	428	-6
\$10,000 or more .....	231	226	2
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	23,246	20,244	15
Average per farm .....dollars..	36,607	30,953	18
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	3,438	3,404	1
Average per farm .....dollars..	5,414	5,205	4
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	565	576	-2
Partnership or corporation .....	69	75	-8
Other .....	-	3	-100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	222	227	-2
Other .....	412	427	-4
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	552	592	-7
Female .....	82	62	32
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	630	653	-4
Black and other races .....	4	1	300
Average age of operator .....	55.0	54.5	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.