

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Missouri Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Increased 1 percent from 219,440 acres in 1992 to 221,967 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 3 percent from 313 acres in 1992 to 305 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 12 percent from 297 farms in 1992 to 262 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

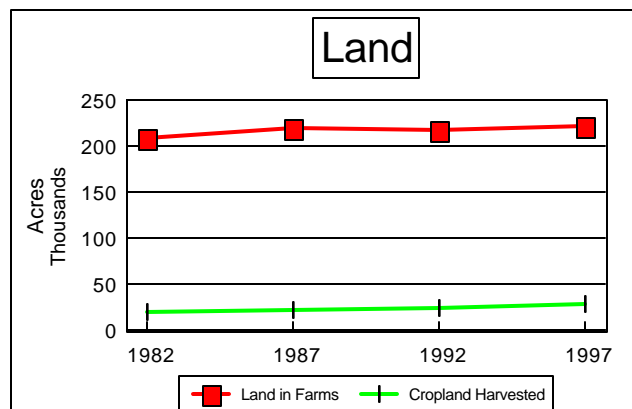
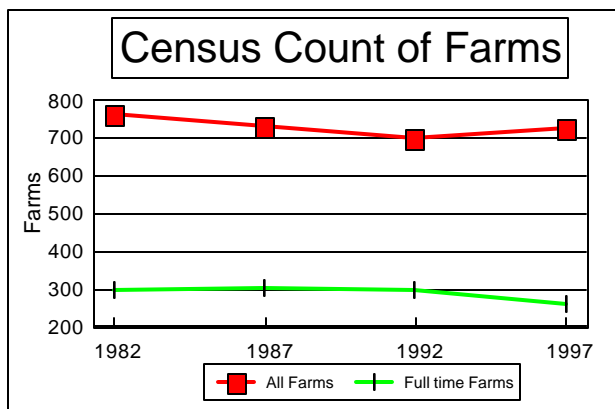
Decreased 12 percent to \$9,871,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 8 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 92 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 15 percent from \$15,988 in 1992 to \$13,578 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	9,871	105	114	2,506	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	9,107	86	114	1,928	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	764	104	114	2,788	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	8,349	64	114	1,047	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	485	84	114	1,637	3,043
Dairy products	265	86	108	1,988	2,563
Aquaculture	(D)	12	65	274	1,505
Hogs and pigs	151	99	114	1,648	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	19,583	59	114	1,010	3,063
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	22	64	747	1,882
Hogs and pigs sold	1,653	98	114	1,629	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	344	63	108	1,456	2,765
All goats sold	(D)	20	106	710	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	34,935	54	114	960	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	1,237	95	113	1,518	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	698	48	114	1,159	3,066
Sheep and lamb inventory	666	46	111	1,225	2,864
All goat inventory	567	10	114	412	2,983
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	28,115	61	114	721	3,061
Field seeds-acres	1,155	47	102	138	1,212
Corn for grain-acres	395	94	111	2,115	2,691
Wheat-acres	209	99	112	2,135	2,612
Soybeans for beans-acres	188	98	106	1,884	2,144

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 .....	471	440	7
\$10,000 or more .....	256	262	-2
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	11,176	11,903	-6
Average per farm .....dollars..	15,372	16,956	-9
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	(580)	1,593	-136
Average per farm .....dollars..	(798)	2,269	-135
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	658	651	1
Partnership or corporation .....	66	49	35
Other .....	3	2	50
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	262	297	-12
Other .....	465	405	15
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	670	641	5
Female .....	57	61	-7
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	724	701	3
Black and other races .....	3	1	200
Average age of operator .....	55.9	55.6	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.