

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Missouri Agricultural Statistics Service



GASCONADE MISSOURI

Land in farms

Decreased 5 percent from 196,959 acres in 1992 to 187,925 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 2 percent from 241 acres in 1992 to 247 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 20 percent from 355 farms in 1992 to 284 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

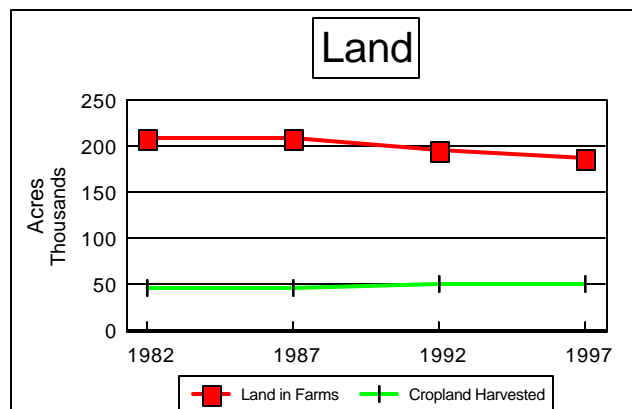
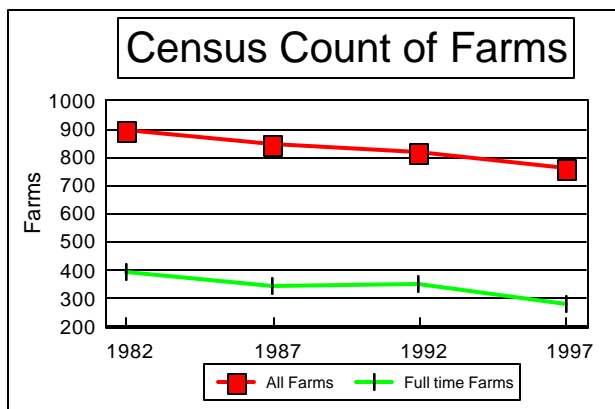
Increased 4 percent to \$15,186,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 27 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 73 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 11 percent from \$17,980 in 1992 to \$19,929 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	15,186	97	114	2,292	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	11,139	81	114	1,775	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	4,047	84	114	2,236	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	5,891	80	114	1,334	3,063
Hogs and pigs	3,682	50	114	633	2,976
Soybeans	1,444	80	106	1,080	2,136
Dairy products	1,403	51	108	1,236	2,563
Corn for grain	1,209	74	106	1,280	2,582
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	38,050	47	114	617	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	14,321	79	114	1,284	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	10	87	459	2,200
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	39	71	668	1,593
Sheep and lambs sold	143	91	108	1,865	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	34,059	24	113	420	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	29,629	67	114	1,145	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	8	112	277	2,884
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	818	57	113	1,310	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	372	96	114	1,969	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	32,105	50	114	622	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	7,653	79	106	1,084	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	7,595	72	111	1,170	2,691
Wheat-acres	2,749	68	112	1,305	2,612
Field seeds-acres	(D)	44	102	132	1,212

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	510	555	-8
\$10,000 or more	252	261	-3
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	12,307	11,110	11
Average per farmdollars..	16,172	13,616	19
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	991	2,353	-58
Average per farmdollars..	1,302	2,884	-55
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	673	726	-7
Partnership or corporation	81	89	-9
Other	8	1	700
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	284	355	-20
Other	478	461	4
Operators by sex:			
Male	712	756	-6
Female	50	60	-17
Operators by race:			
White	762	816	-7
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	55.5	54.9	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.