

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Missouri Agricultural Statistics Service



## RIPLEY MISSOURI

### Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 152,529 acres in 1992 to 151,963 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 2 percent from 328 acres in 1992 to 322 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 3 percent from 227 farms in 1992 to 221 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

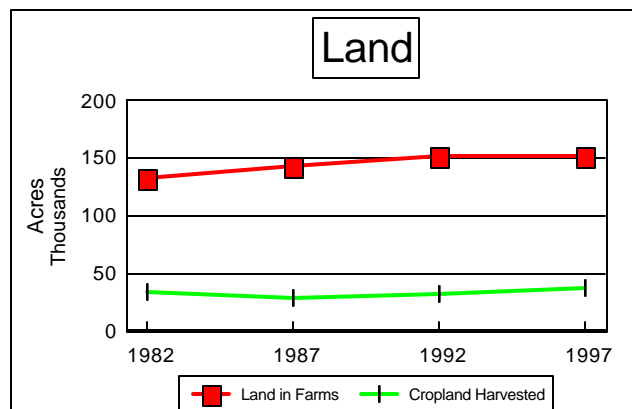
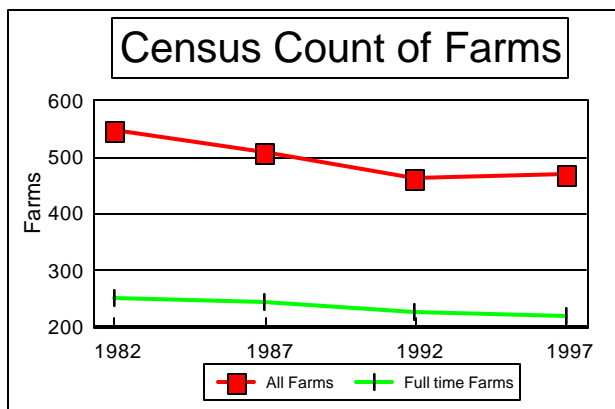
Increased 18 percent to \$10,729,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 50 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 50 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 16 percent from \$19,561 in 1992 to \$22,731 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	10,729	103	114	2,469	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	5,413	78	114	2,086	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	5,316	103	114	2,321	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	4,192	95	114	1,593	3,063
Soybeans	1,909	76	106	997	2,136
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	1,712	5	54	228	1,971
Hogs and pigs	798	85	114	1,073	2,976
Corn for grain	453	80	106	1,592	2,582
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	23	93	691	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	10,240	95	114	1,592	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	8,258	83	114	1,073	2,976
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	17	71	223	1,593
All goats sold	339	6	106	293	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	20	113	640	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	20,103	90	114	1,534	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	3,324	88	113	1,153	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	1,141	20	114	608	3,066
All goat inventory	494	12	114	485	2,983
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	16,748	94	114	1,210	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	11,139	74	106	965	2,144
Rice-acres	4,088	4	9	84	153
Corn for grain-acres	1,971	81	111	1,650	2,691
Sorghum for grain-acres	1,856	31	108	416	1,508

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 .....	306	293	4
\$10,000 or more .....	166	172	-3
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	7,803	9,708	-20
Average per farm .....dollars..	16,497	20,878	-21
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	845	863	-2
Average per farm .....dollars..	1,787	1,856	-4
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	438	436	0
Partnership or corporation .....	33	29	14
Other .....	1	-	
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	221	227	-3
Other .....	251	238	5
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	438	432	1
Female .....	34	33	3
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	468	460	2
Black and other races .....	4	5	-20
Average age of operator .....	55.2	55.0	0

(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.