

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
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### Land in farms

Increased slightly from 944,497 acres in 1992 to 952,884 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 1 percent from 3,127 acres in 1992 to 3,084 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 8 percent from 236 farms in 1992 to 216 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

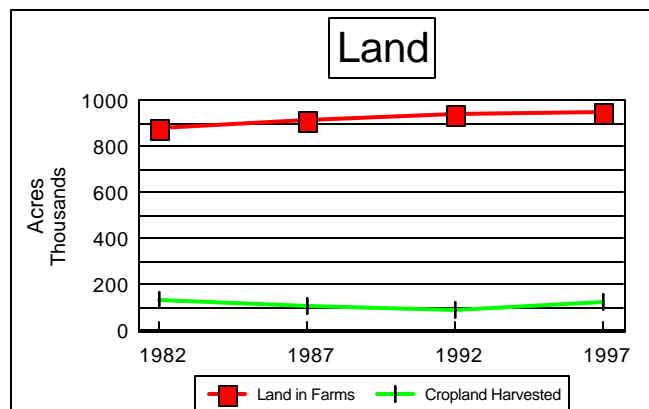
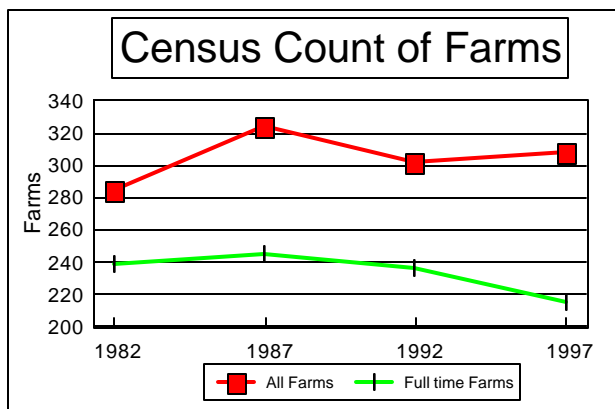
Increased 9 percent to \$20,407,000 in 1997.

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 6 percent from \$62,228 in 1992 to \$66,042 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	20,407	39	56	2,091	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	14,839	29	56	1,521	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	5,568	40	56	2,073	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	14,182	24	56	642	3,063
Wheat	4,551	28	54	401	2,578
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	(D)	45	56	1,653	3,043
Sheep, lambs, and wool	360	30	56	277	2,787
Barley	284	39	54	236	1,167
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	28,476	25	56	677	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	4,397	27	56	262	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold	1,477	28	54	1,675	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	83	30	56	1,118	3,015
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	41,530	29	56	780	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	4,191	35	56	297	2,864
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	27	44	417	2,588
Hogs and pigs inventory	948	28	56	1,635	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	679	41	56	1,187	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Wheat-acres	62,498	23	55	277	2,612
Hay crops-acres	58,380	16	56	196	3,061
Barley-acres	5,080	35	56	183	1,411
Oats-acres	2,752	4	56	250	2,332
Safflower-acres	1,208	5	14	24	104

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 .....	101	83	22
\$10,000 or more .....	208	219	-5
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	16,112	14,354	12
Average per farm .....dollars..	52,141	47,531	10
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	3,812	5,134	-26
Average per farm .....dollars..	12,337	17,000	-27
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	242	227	7
Partnership or corporation .....	64	74	-14
Other .....	3	1	200
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	216	236	-8
Other .....	93	66	41
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	276	285	-3
Female .....	33	17	94
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	309	300	3
Black and other races .....	-	2	-100
Average age of operator .....	53.8	53.9	-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.