

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Montana Agricultural Statistics Service



GALLATIN MONTANA

Land in farms

Increased 9 percent from 699,409 acres in 1992 to 759,944 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 3 percent from 886 acres in 1992 to 910 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 12 percent from 516 farms in 1992 to 456 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

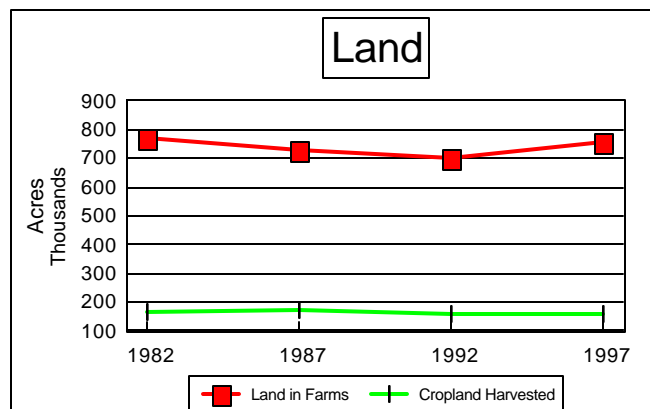
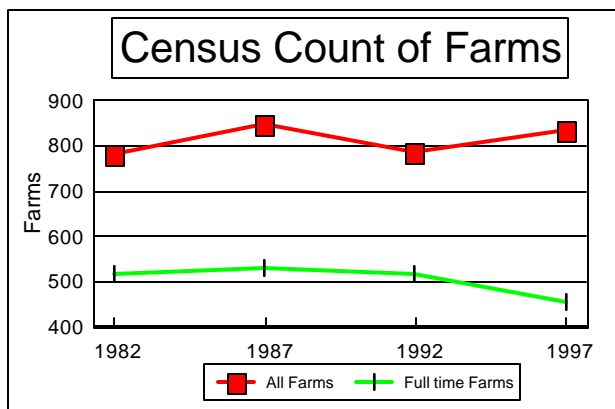
Increased 1 percent to \$58,905,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 53 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 47 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 4 percent from \$73,819 in 1992 to \$70,545 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	58,905	8	56	1,009	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	30,946	9	56	914	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	27,959	8	56	940	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	15,045	22	56	594	3,063
Dairy products	10,854	1	43	352	2,563
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	9,141	2	43	143	2,237
Wheat	8,065	24	54	262	2,578
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	5,943	1	56	95	3,043
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	28,278	26	56	682	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	5,652	19	56	208	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold	5,196	15	54	1,222	2,976
Colonies of bees sold	(D)	3	8	42	611
Horses and ponies sold	338	6	56	152	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	59,335	17	56	466	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	7,880	17	56	186	2,864
Hogs and pigs inventory	3,982	12	56	1,090	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	3,000	3	56	83	3,066
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	17	44	264	2,588
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	73,766	9	56	105	3,061
Wheat-acres	46,145	26	55	322	2,612
Barley-acres	39,015	9	56	40	1,411
Potatoes-acres	3,630	1	35	69	1,733
Oats-acres	659	38	56	845	2,332

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	390	309	26
\$10,000 or more	445	480	-7
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	45,301	43,407	4
Average per farmdollars..	54,318	55,085	-1
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	10,073	14,797	-32
Average per farmdollars..	12,078	18,778	-36
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	682	649	5
Partnership or corporation	143	135	6
Other	10	5	100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	456	516	-12
Other	379	273	39
Operators by sex:			
Male	750	726	3
Female	85	63	35
Operators by race:			
White	835	783	7
Black and other races	-	6	-100
Average age of operator	53.7	52.6	2

(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.