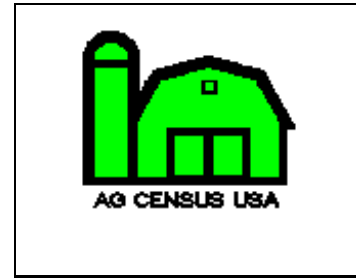


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Land in farms

Increased slightly from 889,294 acres in 1992 to 896,739 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 5 percent from 1,994 acres in 1992 to 1,896 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 3 percent from 310 farms in 1992 to 300 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

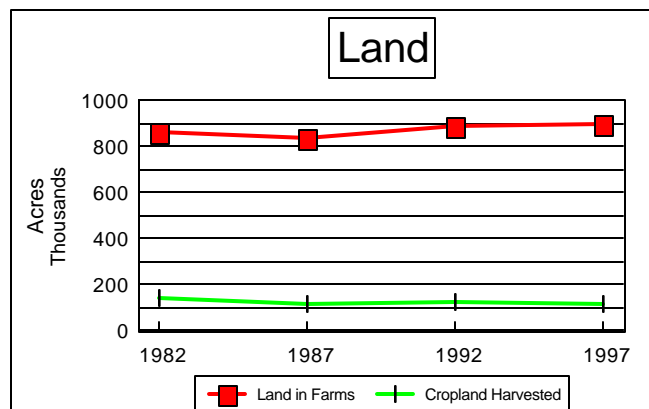
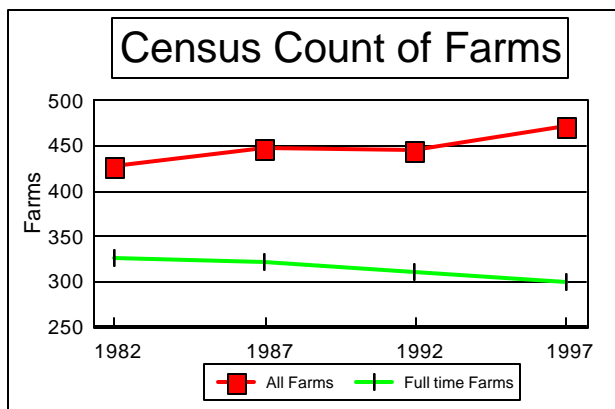
Decreased 7 percent to \$29,001,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 28 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 72 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 12 percent from \$69,779 in 1992 to \$61,313 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	29,001	28	56	1,767	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	20,860	20	56	1,201	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	8,142	31	56	1,882	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	18,266	17	56	463	3,063
Wheat	4,417	29	54	410	2,578
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	1,605	21	56	525	3,043
Barley	1,235	22	54	123	1,167
Sheep, lambs, and wool	923	9	56	129	2,787
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	36,138	17	56	486	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	9,741	9	56	132	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold	4,570	17	54	1,258	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	230	9	56	289	3,015
All goats sold	(D)	19	31	2,353	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	57,773	19	56	489	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	11,889	8	56	126	2,864
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	4	44	113	2,588
Hogs and pigs inventory	2,020	21	56	1,346	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	1,448	17	56	403	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	55,897	17	56	210	3,061
Wheat-acres	46,253	25	55	321	2,612
Barley-acres	13,986	21	56	102	1,411
Corn for silage-acres	2,013	7	30	686	2,473
Oats-acres	1,309	17	56	525	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	173	126	37
\$10,000 or more	300	320	-6
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	24,212	26,260	-8
Average per farmdollars..	51,296	58,880	-13
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	4,611	5,504	-16
Average per farmdollars..	9,769	12,341	-21
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	370	336	10
Partnership or corporation	97	108	-10
Other	6	2	200
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	300	310	-3
Other	173	136	27
Operators by sex:			
Male	441	405	9
Female	32	41	-22
Operators by race:			
White	473	446	6
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	55.1	53.6	3

(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.