

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service



BUFFALO NEBRASKA

Land in farms

Increased 6 percent from 587,595 acres in 1992 to 621,227 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 7 percent from 536 acres in 1992 to 575 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 5 percent from 772 farms in 1992 to 734 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

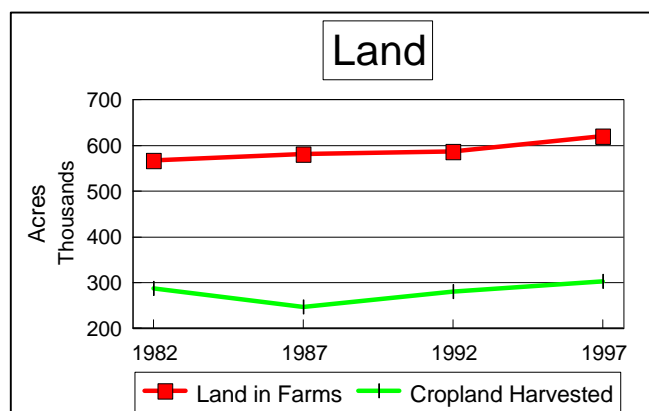
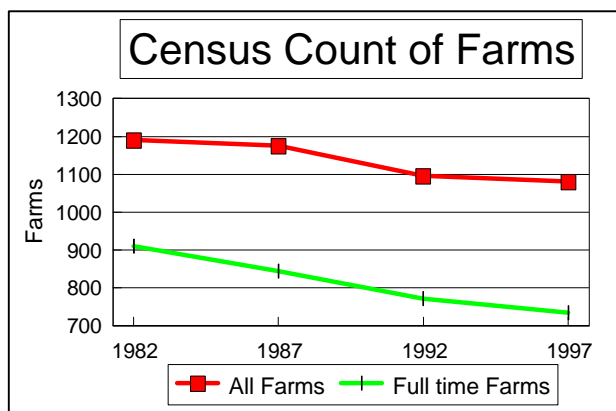
Increased 7 percent to \$158,551,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 52 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 48 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 8 percent from \$135,617 in 1992 to \$146,671 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	158,551	18	93	215	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	81,963	9	93	226	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	76,588	29	93	295	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	67,731	25	93	95	3,063
Corn for grain	65,667	6	92	19	2,582
Soybeans	10,430	32	81	525	2,136
Hogs and pigs	5,054	46	91	531	2,976
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	4,219	6	93	137	3,043
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Turkeys sold	(D)	6	36	173	1,353
Cattle and calves sold	110,371	16	93	88	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	45,977	47	91	552	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	8,724	1	89	144	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	160	51	63	1,303	1,882
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	115,713	12	93	98	3,064
All turkeys inventory	(D)	4	64	226	2,361
Hogs and pigs inventory	25,277	45	91	509	3,005
Sheep and lamb inventory	9,464	1	90	157	2,864
Colony of bees inventory	1,660	9	60	338	2,588
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	207,583	5	93	20	2,691
Hay crops-acres	45,932	15	93	328	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	41,589	35	81	579	2,144
Wheat-acres	7,185	36	87	902	2,612
Sorghum for grain-acres	3,571	32	86	326	1,508

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	258	253	2
\$10,000 or more	823	844	-2
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	119,620	121,682	-2
Average per farmdollars..	110,555	110,922	-0
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	34,698	29,523	18
Average per farmdollars..	32,068	26,913	19
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	875	920	-5
Partnership or corporation	191	172	11
Other	15	5	200
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	734	772	-5
Other	347	325	7
Operators by sex:			
Male	1,017	1,049	-3
Female	64	48	33
Operators by race:			
White	1,072	1,095	-2
Black and other races	9	2	350
Average age of operator	52.3	50.5	4

(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.