

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Increased 2 percent from 357,067 acres in 1992 to 364,586 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 12 percent from 603 acres in 1992 to 678 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 12 percent from 464 farms in 1992 to 408 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

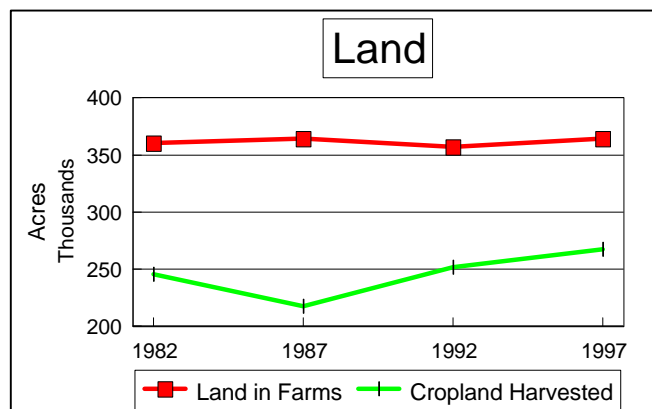
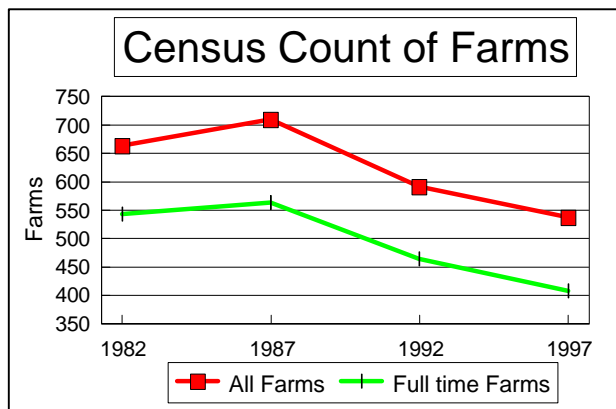
Increased 35 percent to \$170,597,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 44 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 56 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 48 percent from \$214,096 in 1992 to \$317,096 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	170,597	12	93	188	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	95,843	18	93	202	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	74,755	14	93	274	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	74,345	19	93	84	3,063
Corn for grain	53,106	12	92	40	2,582
Hogs and pigs	20,367	10	91	171	2,976
Soybeans	15,463	22	81	390	2,136
Grain sorghum	4,105	9	80	82	1,275
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	194,427	10	91	178	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	103,265	20	93	98	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	5,480	3	89	217	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	205	6	93	343	3,015
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	175	49	63	1,283	1,882
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs inventory	122,610	6	91	117	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	76,937	30	93	264	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	6,601	2	90	216	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	376	42	93	1,956	3,066
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	25	60	785	2,588
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	164,837	16	93	54	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	55,606	28	81	472	2,144
Sorghum for grain-acres	25,284	10	86	104	1,508
Hay crops-acres	11,734	69	93	1,535	3,061
Wheat-acres	6,107	38	87	964	2,612

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 .....	87	95	-8
\$10,000 or more .....	451	497	-9
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	139,665	98,094	42
Average per farm .....dollars..	258,639	165,420	56
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	28,692	27,729	3
Average per farm .....dollars..	53,134	46,761	14
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	410	486	-16
Partnership or corporation .....	124	103	20
Other .....	4	3	33
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	408	464	-12
Other .....	130	128	2
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	530	579	-8
Female .....	8	13	-38
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	536	591	-9
Black and other races .....	2	1	100
Average age of operator .....	49.0	49.3	-1

(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.