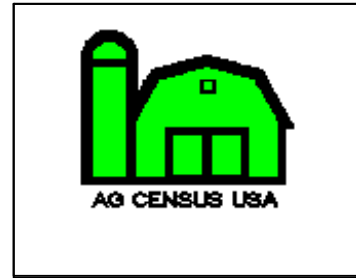


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Land in farms

Increased slightly from 403,584 acres in 1992 to 406,227 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 12 percent from 1,065 acres in 1992 to 1,198 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 14 percent from 302 farms in 1992 to 261 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

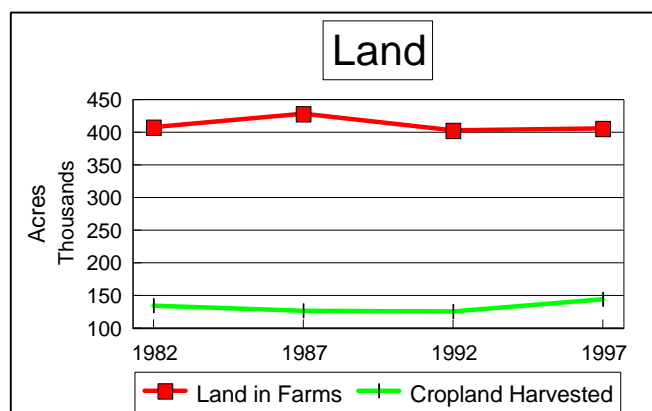
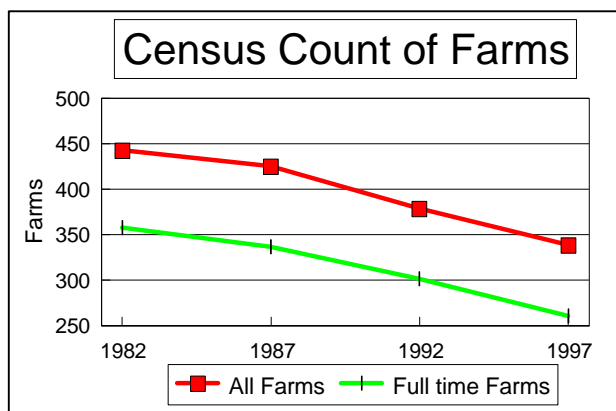
Increased 10 percent to \$33,700,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 67 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 33 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 23 percent from \$80,712 in 1992 to \$99,410 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	33,700	76	93	1,612	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	22,509	66	93	1,169	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	11,191	85	93	1,770	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Corn for grain	10,874	69	92	532	2,582
Cattle and calves	9,997	82	93	890	3,063
Wheat	9,511	5	87	233	2,578
Hogs and pigs	1,098	68	91	980	2,976
Grain sorghum	668	29	80	281	1,275
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	19,525	81	93	1,015	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	9,921	70	91	1,022	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	229	80	89	1,654	2,765
All goats sold	(D)	30	62	1,971	2,686
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	41	53	1,880	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	30,753	77	93	1,102	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	5,815	68	91	985	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	490	44	93	1,707	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	386	72	90	1,550	2,864
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	295	6	31	441	1,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Wheat-acres	83,031	6	87	229	2,612
Corn for grain-acres	43,492	68	93	555	2,691
Hay crops-acres	7,387	82	93	1,977	3,061
Sorghum for grain-acres	6,535	25	86	256	1,508
Sunflower seed-acres	2,437	7	47	127	674

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	57	77	-26
\$10,000 or more	282	302	-7
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	30,832	25,058	23
Average per farmdollars..	90,951	66,116	38
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	8,769	6,432	36
Average per farmdollars..	25,866	16,970	52
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	281	312	-10
Partnership or corporation	58	67	-13
Other			
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	261	302	-14
Other	78	77	1
Operators by sex:			
Male	320	361	-11
Female	19	18	6
Operators by race:			
White	339	379	-11
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	57.2	53.4	7

(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.