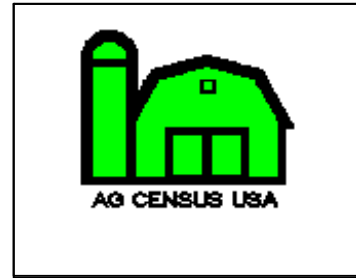


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Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 375,188 acres in 1992 to 371,490 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 15 percent from 4,937 acres in 1992 to 4,221 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 8 percent from 60 farms in 1992 to 65 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

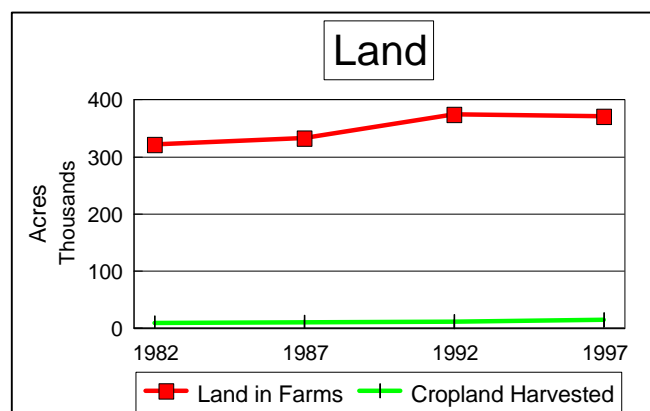
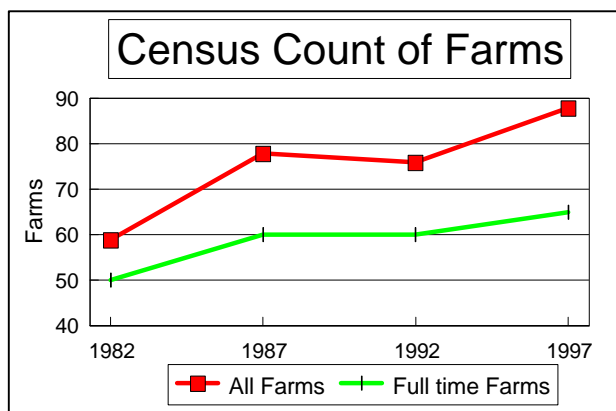
Increased 5 percent to \$8,541,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 2 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 98 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 9 percent from \$107,080 in 1992 to \$97,062 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	8,541	92	93	2,585	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	8,402	90	93	2,001	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	139	93	93	3,013	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	8,013	85	93	1,078	3,063
Hogs and pigs	(D)	79	91	1,335	2,976
Corn for grain	(D)	92	92	2,026	2,582
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	(D)	93	93	2,818	3,043
Horses and ponies	18	75	93	2,603	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	16,313	84	93	1,166	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	67	91	978	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	13	73	93	2,647	3,015
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	52	53	2,101	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	27,398	82	93	1,222	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	82	91	1,398	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	380	41	93	1,941	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	102	83	93	2,624	3,002
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	52	74	1,965	2,549
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	14,366	57	93	1,338	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	(D)	92	93	2,164	2,691

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	17	13	31
\$10,000 or more	71	63	13
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	6,682	6,992	-4
Average per farmdollars..	75,932	92,003	-17
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,859	1,146	62
Average per farmdollars..	21,130	15,077	40
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	69	64	8
Partnership or corporation	17	12	42
Other	2	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	65	60	8
Other	23	16	44
Operators by sex:			
Male	76	69	10
Female	12	7	71
Operators by race:			
White	88	76	16
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	54.8	50.8	8

(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.