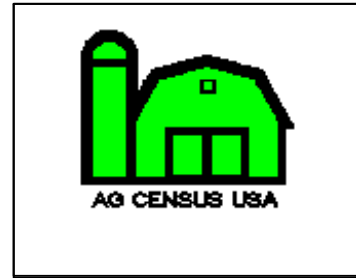


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Land in farms

Decreased 5 percent from 464,534 acres in 1992 to 443,334 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 3 percent from 3,839 acres in 1992 to 3,958 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 11 percent from 102 farms in 1992 to 91 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

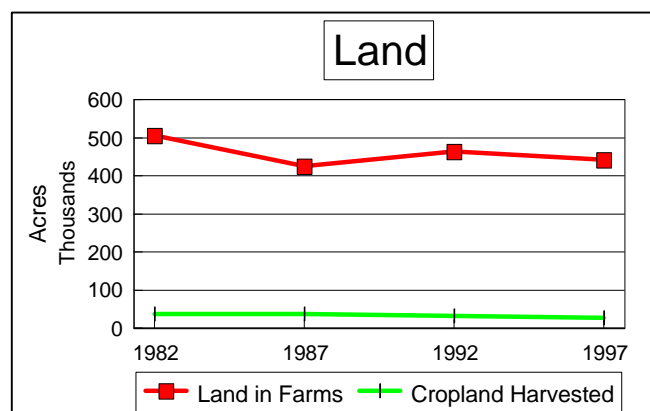
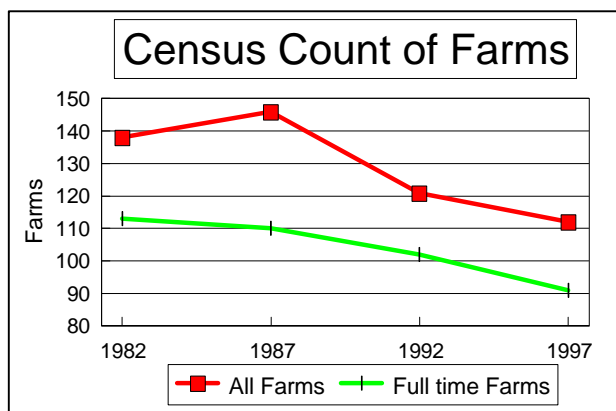
Increased 21 percent to \$13,951,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 7 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 93 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 30 percent from \$95,659 in 1992 to \$124,563 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	13,951	89	93	2,347	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	12,944	80	93	1,642	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	1,007	90	93	2,728	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	12,834	73	93	704	3,063
Corn for grain	823	90	92	1,398	2,582
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	145	91	93	2,520	3,043
Hogs and pigs	(D)	91	91	1,932	2,976
Horses and ponies	(D)	48	93	2,119	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	22,499	74	93	873	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	91	91	1,936	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	23	62	93	2,365	3,015
All goats sold	(D)	29	62	1,942	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	41,686	63	93	776	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	412	36	93	1,846	3,066
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	91	91	1,977	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	214	67	93	2,276	3,002
All goat inventory	42	33	88	2,339	2,983
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	24,397	34	93	838	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	3,018	90	93	1,512	2,691
Corn for silage-acres	910	71	92	1,114	2,473
Soybeans for beans-acres	320	76	81	1,798	2,144
Sorghum for grain-acres	(D)	64	86	803	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	22	23	-4
\$10,000 or more	90	98	-8
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	11,872	9,815	21
Average per farmdollars..	106,001	81,113	31
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,799	2,076	-13
Average per farmdollars..	16,062	17,158	-6
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	94	97	-3
Partnership or corporation	18	23	-22
Other	-	1	-100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	91	102	-11
Other	21	19	11
Operators by sex:			
Male	103	115	-10
Female	9	6	50
Operators by race:			
White	110	121	-9
Black and other races	2	-	-
Average age of operator	55.5	55.7	-0

(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.