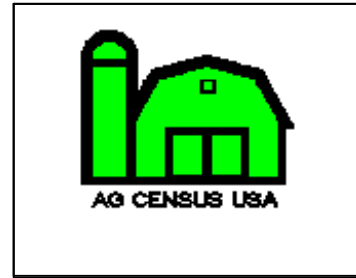


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Land in farms

Increased 7 percent from 649,612 acres in 1992 to 696,502 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 9 percent from 1,259 acres in 1992 to 1,371 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 4 percent from 388 farms in 1992 to 373 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

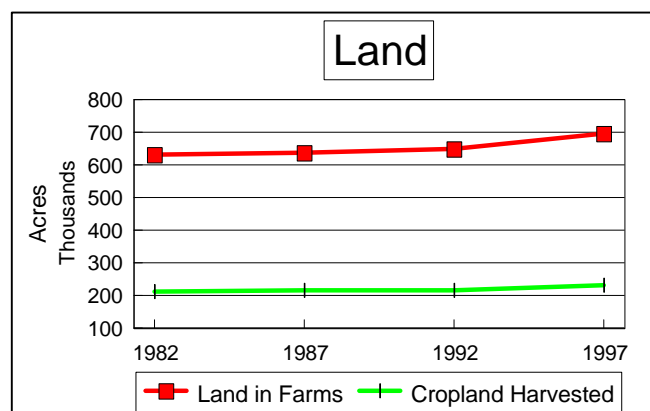
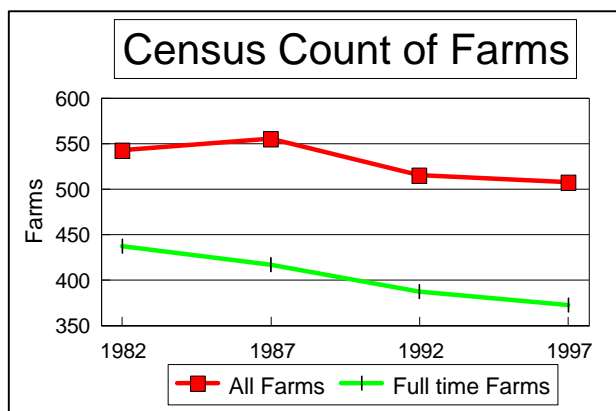
Increased 16 percent to \$150,821,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 41 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 59 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 18 percent from \$252,231 in 1992 to \$296,892 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	150,821	21	93	237	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	89,274	20	93	225	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	61,547	24	93	393	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	89,051	14	93	69	3,063
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	26,279	1	49	52	2,237
Corn for grain	13,928	63	92	458	2,582
Wheat	11,747	3	87	187	2,578
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	7,807	3	86	101	1,971
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	122,301	14	93	79	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	1,304	87	91	1,731	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	678	50	89	1,060	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	35	63	1,087	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	31	46	1,623	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	93,274	17	93	157	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	1,248	84	91	1,514	3,005
Sheep and lamb inventory	844	43	90	1,072	2,864
Broiler inventory	(D)	23	83	963	2,620
Horse and pony inventory	396	39	93	1,891	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Wheat-acres	97,365	4	87	196	2,612
Corn for grain-acres	47,725	63	93	524	2,691
Hay crops-acres	26,107	30	93	786	3,061
Sugarbeets, sugar-acres	23,621	1	15	21	199
Potatoes-acres	7,526	1	37	40	1,733

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	120	104	15
\$10,000 or more	388	412	-6
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	124,643	108,217	15
Average per farmdollars..	245,360	210,129	17
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	25,568	19,625	30
Average per farmdollars..	50,332	38,106	32
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	428	442	-3
Partnership or corporation	78	72	8
Other	2	2	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	373	388	-4
Other	135	128	5
Operators by sex:			
Male	461	484	-5
Female	47	32	47
Operators by race:			
White	505	514	-2
Black and other races	3	2	50
Average age of operator	54.8	52.1	5

(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.