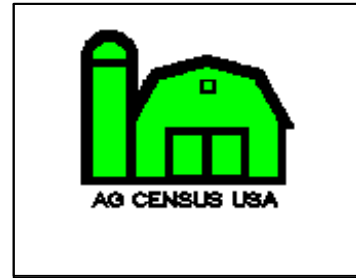


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Land in farms

Increased 2 percent from 314,949 acres in 1992 to 320,618 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 8 percent from 358 acres in 1992 to 385 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 11 percent from 568 farms in 1992 to 504 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

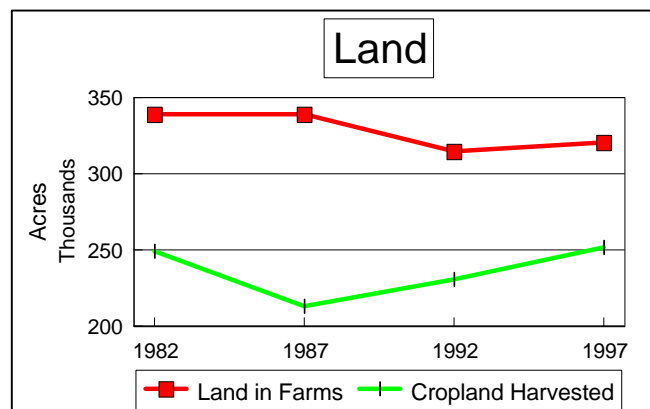
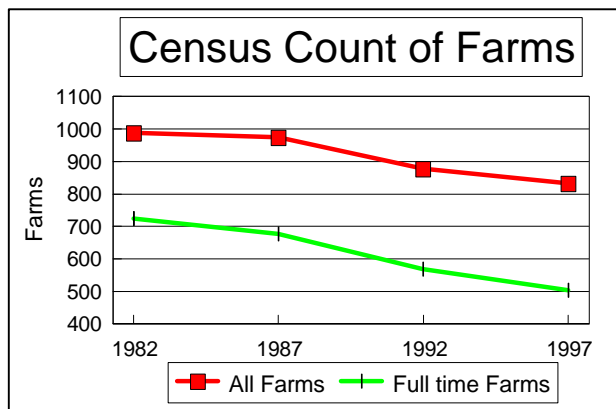
Increased 47 percent to \$146,802,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 47 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 53 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 55 percent from \$113,645 in 1992 to \$176,233 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	146,802	24	93	254	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	78,101	25	93	282	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	68,702	19	93	326	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	48,341	38	93	134	3,063
Corn for grain	41,570	22	92	99	2,582
Soybeans	20,074	15	81	299	2,136
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	3	87	346	2,901
Hogs and pigs	11,122	24	91	303	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Turkeys sold	(D)	1	36	71	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	102,538	29	91	327	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	68,701	39	93	181	3,063
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	24	63	911	1,882
Sheep and lambs sold	899	37	89	867	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	44,268	28	91	335	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	41,953	62	93	772	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,071	34	90	907	2,864
Broiler inventory	590	19	83	909	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	546	40	93	1,613	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	128,849	25	93	127	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	76,458	18	81	332	2,144
Sorghum for grain-acres	32,287	8	86	80	1,508
Hay crops-acres	12,230	67	93	1,490	3,061
Wheat-acres	3,813	47	87	1,186	2,612

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	239	218	10
\$10,000 or more	594	661	-10
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	99,881	73,565	36
Average per farmdollars..	119,905	83,692	43
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	46,817	24,401	92
Average per farmdollars..	56,203	27,760	102
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	722	765	-6
Partnership or corporation	111	112	-1
Other	-	2	-100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	504	568	-11
Other	329	311	6
Operators by sex:			
Male	809	859	-6
Female	24	20	20
Operators by race:			
White	833	878	-5
Black and other races	-	1	-100
Average age of operator	50.4	48.7	3

(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.