

1997 Census of Agriculture State Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
New England Agricultural Statistics Service



NEW HAMPSHIRE

Land in farms

Increased 8 percent from 385,832 acres in 1992 to 415,031 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 11 percent from 158 acres in 1992 to 141 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 5 percent from 1,204 farms in 1992 to 1,260 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

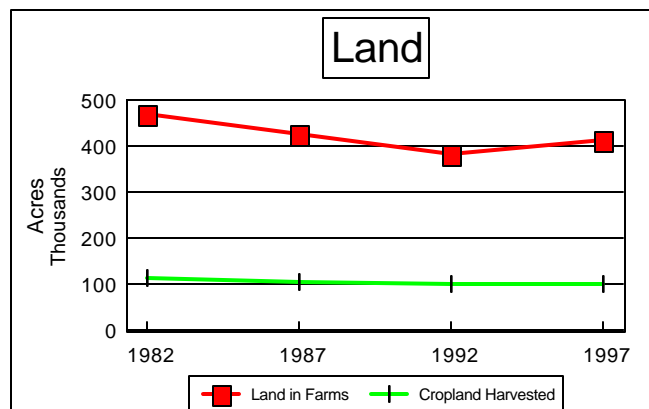
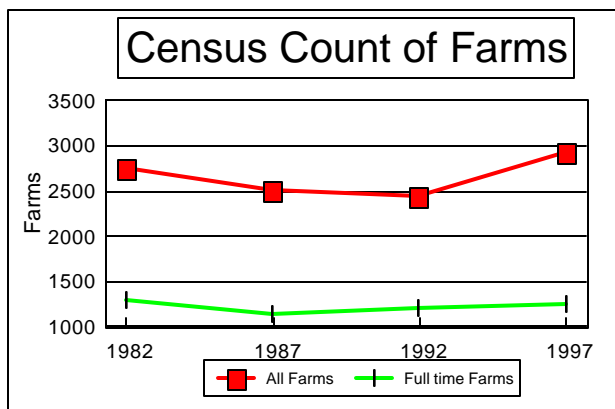
Increased 31 percent to \$149,467,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 49 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 51 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 9 percent from \$46,654 in 1992 to \$50,891 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within U.S., 1997

| Item | Quantity | U.S. | |
|---|----------|------|-----------|
| | | Rank | Universe* |
| MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000) | | | |
| Total value of agricultural products sold | 149,467 | 48 | 50 |
| Value of livestock and poultry | 75,739 | 48 | 50 |
| Value of crops including nursery | 73,728 | 46 | 50 |
| TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000) | | | |
| Dairy products | 46,974 | 42 | 50 |
| Nursery and greenhouse crops | 44,957 | 36 | 50 |
| Poultry & poultry products | 19,224 | 39 | 50 |
| Fruits, nuts, berries | 10,760 | 29 | 50 |
| Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons | 8,614 | 36 | 50 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number) | | | |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold | 472,718 | 30 | 50 |
| Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold | 195,471 | 44 | 50 |
| Cattle and calves sold | 16,053 | 48 | 50 |
| Turkeys sold | 14,320 | 33 | 49 |
| Hogs and pigs sold | 13,454 | 43 | 50 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number) | | | |
| Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory | (D) | 12 | 50 |
| Layers 20 weeks and older inventory | 184,333 | 46 | 50 |
| Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory | 70,642 | 40 | 50 |
| Broiler inventory | 62,087 | 34 | 50 |
| Cattle and calves inventory | 45,115 | 47 | 50 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA | | | |
| Hay crops-acres | 78,832 | 46 | 50 |
| Corn for silage-acres | 15,957 | 43 | 49 |
| Maple trees tapped-acres | 5,681 | 8 | 21 |
| Land used for vegetables-acres | 3,471 | 40 | 50 |
| Land in orchards-acres | 3,414 | 40 | 50 |

Other State Summary Highlights

| Item | 1997 | 1992 | Percent Change |
|--|---------|--------|----------------|
| Farms by value of sales: | | | |
| Less than \$10,000 | 1,969 | 1,596 | 23 |
| \$10,000 or more | 968 | 849 | 14 |
| Total farm production expenses\$1,000.. | 126,098 | 95,755 | 32 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 43,169 | 39,244 | 10 |
| Net cash return from agricultural sales | | | |
| for the farm unit\$1,000.. | 23,567 | 15,953 | 48 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 8,068 | 6,538 | 23 |
| Farms by type of organization: | | | |
| Individual or family | 2,547 | 2,136 | 19 |
| Partnership or corporation | 339 | 280 | 21 |
| Other | 51 | 29 | 76 |
| OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS | | | |
| Operators by principal occupation: | | | |
| Farming | 1,260 | 1,204 | 5 |
| Other | 1,677 | 1,241 | 35 |
| Operators by sex: | | | |
| Male | 2,420 | 2,043 | 18 |
| Female | 517 | 402 | 29 |
| Operators by race: | | | |
| White | 2,931 | 2,440 | 20 |
| Black and other races | 6 | 5 | 20 |
| Average age of operator | 54.3 | 53.4 | 2 |

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

* Universe is number of states in U.S. with item.