

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
New England Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 7 percent from 46,056 acres in 1992 to 42,931 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 13 percent from 266 acres in 1992 to 232 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 8 percent from 92 farms in 1992 to 85 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

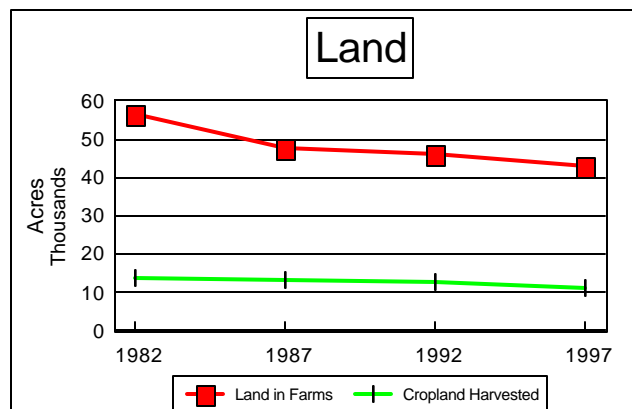
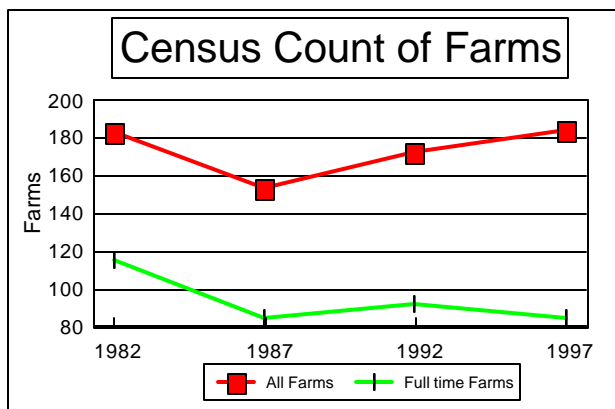
Increased 1 percent to \$7,791,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 20 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 80 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 5 percent from \$44,477 in 1992 to \$42,111 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	7,791	8	10	2,619	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	6,211	5	10	2,224	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	1,579	10	10	2,594	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	5,599	5	10	582	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	662	10	10	1,187	2,790
Cattle and calves	544	4	10	2,742	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	385	8	10	1,861	3,043
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	296	4	10	705	2,237
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	1,738	5	10	2,692	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	329	8	10	1,478	2,765
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	10	10	1,623	2,203
Turkeys sold	(D)	9	10	746	1,353
All goats sold	31	8	10	1,730	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	5,684	3	10	2,502	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	560	10	10	1,591	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	537	8	10	1,370	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	123	10	10	2,797	3,066
Broiler inventory	112	9	10	1,574	2,620
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	9,212	3	10	1,788	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	1,621	5	10	796	2,473
Maple trees tapped-acres	665	5	10	49	427
All nursery-acres	651	1	10	439	2,619
Barley-acres	(D)	1	1	939	1,411

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	116	106	9
\$10,000 or more	69	67	3
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	7,183	6,393	12
Average per farmdollars..	38,827	37,384	4
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	763	1,194	-36
Average per farmdollars..	4,127	6,982	-41
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	171	156	10
Partnership or corporation	11	15	-27
Other	3	2	50
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	85	92	-8
Other	100	81	23
Operators by sex:			
Male	176	147	20
Female	9	26	-65
Operators by race:			
White	185	172	8
Black and other races	-	1	-100
Average age of operator	55.4	51.2	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.