

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Increased slightly from 75,733 acres in 1992 to 75,883 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 14 percent from 218 acres in 1992 to 187 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 4 percent from 187 farms in 1992 to 180 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

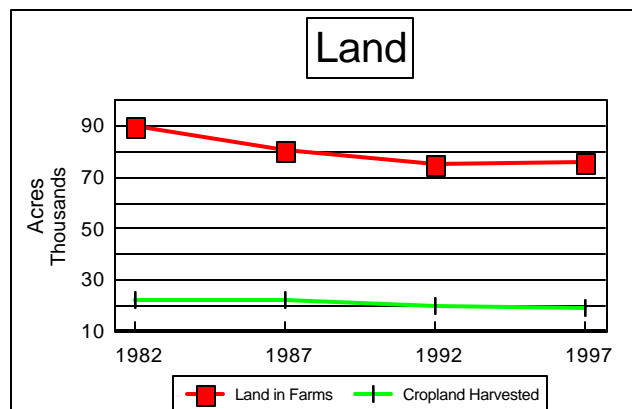
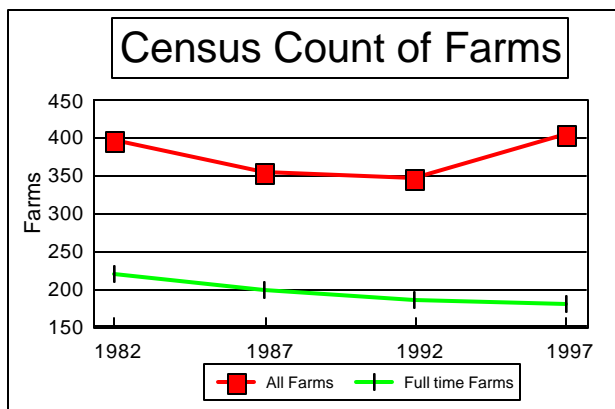
Increased 4 percent to \$17,380,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 17 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 83 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 11 percent from \$47,894 in 1992 to \$42,808 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	17,380	4	10	2,208	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	14,363	2	10	1,550	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	3,017	7	10	2,372	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Dairy products	11,251	1	10	338	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1,418	6	10	835	2,790
Cattle and calves	1,114	1	10	2,493	3,063
Aquaculture	(D)	1	6	142	1,505
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	762	4	10	1,211	3,043
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	2	10	580	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	3,686	1	10	2,366	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	804	2	10	946	2,765
Turkeys sold	668	4	10	461	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	484	4	10	2,068	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	1	10	481	3,002
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	1	7	260	1,790
Cattle and calves inventory	9,889	1	10	2,163	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,020	1	10	938	2,864
Hogs and pigs inventory	389	4	10	1,973	3,005
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	16,620	1	10	1,217	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	2,786	2	10	525	2,473
Maple trees tapped-acres	1,294	1	10	25	427
All nursery-acres	552	2	10	492	2,619
Corn for grain-acres	470	1	9	2,073	2,691

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	260	198	31
\$10,000 or more .....	146	150	-3
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	15,885	13,931	14
Average per farm .....dollars..	39,319	40,032	-2
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	1,780	2,324	-23
Average per farm .....dollars..	4,407	6,679	-34
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	360	309	17
Partnership or corporation .....	41	36	14
Other .....	5	3	67
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	180	187	-4
Other .....	226	161	40
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	346	291	19
Female .....	60	57	5
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	406	347	17
Black and other races .....	-	1	-100
Average age of operator .....	54.4	54.8	-1

(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.