# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

**United States Department of Agriculture New Jersey Agricultural Statistics Service** 



# PASSAIC NEW JERSEY

Land in farms

Increased 21 percent from 1,838 acres in 1992 to 2,232 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 24 percent from 33 acres in 1992 to 41 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 18 percent from 17 farms in 1992 to 20 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

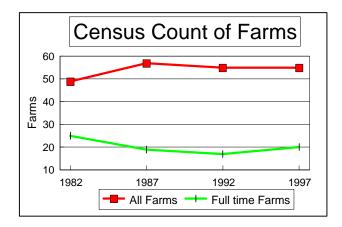
Increased 13 percent to \$3,863,000 in 1997.

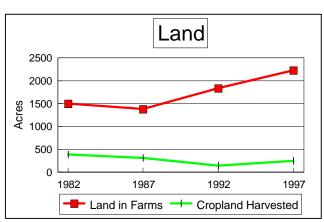
Crop sales accounted for 94 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 6 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 13 percent from \$62,184 in 1992 to \$70,232 in 1997.





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#### **NEW JERSEY**

Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

		State		U.S.	
Item	Quantity	Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	3,863	19	20	2,827	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	3,626	19	20	2,278	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	237	18	20	2,994	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	3,321	18	20	529	2,790
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	(D)	18	20	937	2,739
Horses and ponies	(D)	11	20	771	3,015
Fruits, nuts, berries	16	17	20	1,634	2,547
Cattle and calves	12	18	19	3,048	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Turkeys sold	111	10	18	599	1,353
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	98	12	14	1,424	1,882
Horses and ponies sold	59	12	20	1,475	3,015
Cattle and calves sold	47	16	19	3,042	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	45	18	19	2,303	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	519	18	20	1,655	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	250	17	20	2,405	3,066
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	76	18	19	2,125	2,884
Sheep and lamb inventory	66	17	18	2,340	2,864
All goat inventory	52	16	20	2,219	2,983
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Land used for vegetables-acres	85	19	20	1,311	2,741
All nursery-acres	71	18	20	1,364	2,619
Hay crops-acres	(D)	18	20	3,036	3,061
Cut christmas trees harvested-acres	25	17	18	678	1,965
Maple trees tapped-acres	24	2	6	290	427

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

			Percent	
Item	1997	1992	Change	
Farms by value of sales:				
Less than \$10,000	33	40	-18	
\$10,000 or more	22	15	47	
Total farm production expenses\$1,000	2,582	2,553	1	
Average per farmdollars	46,945	46,420	1	
Net cash return from agricultural sales				
for the farm unit\$1,000	1,281	867	48	
Average per farmdollars	23,287	15,765	48	
Farms by type of organization:				
Individual or family	36	41	-12	
Partnership or corporation	18	13	38	
Other	1	1		
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS				
Operators by principal occupation:				
Farming	20	17	18	
Other	35	38	-8	
Operators by sex:				
Male	47	47		
Female	8	8		
Operators by race:				
White	55	55		
Black and other races				
Average age of operator	56.5	54.9	3	

<sup>(</sup>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.