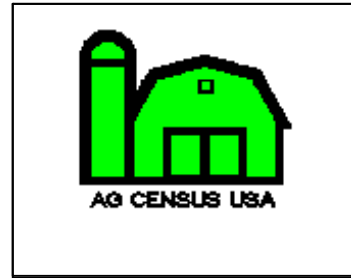


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## SALEM NEW JERSEY

### Land in farms

Decreased 6 percent from 98,256 acres in 1992 to 92,047 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 6 percent from 131 acres in 1992 to 139 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 17 percent from 358 farms in 1992 to 296 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

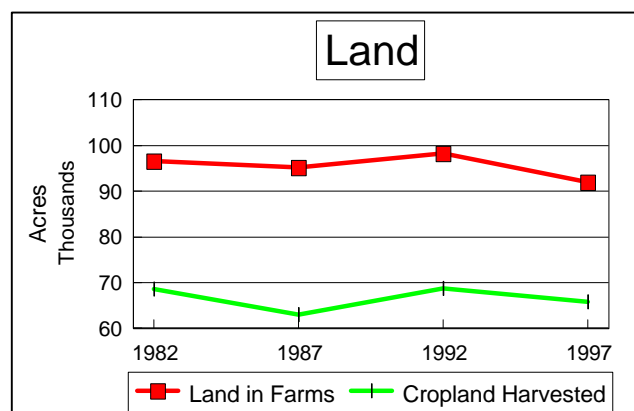
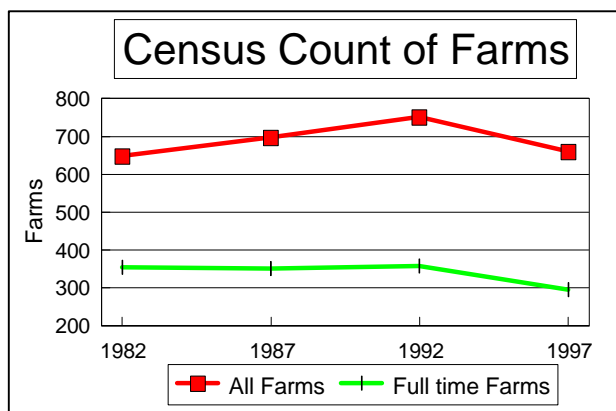
Increased 25 percent to \$67,908,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 64 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 36 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 42 percent from \$72,387 in 1992 to \$102,892 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	67,908	4	20	856	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	43,574	6	20	649	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	24,334	2	20	1,060	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	17,414	4	20	65	2,739
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	2	20	364	2,901
Nursery and greenhouse crops	9,562	11	20	213	2,790
Dairy products	8,024	2	14	449	2,563
Soybeans	4,550	2	15	761	2,136
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	2	20	198	2,203
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	7	18	222	2,200
Cattle and calves sold	4,123	1	19	2,300	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	3,018	3	20	1,407	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	545	7	19	1,185	2,765
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	2	20	92	3,002
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	1	18	201	2,549
Cattle and calves inventory	10,689	1	20	2,087	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	8,630	7	19	175	2,884
Colony of bees inventory	5,842	1	18	86	2,588
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Soybeans for beans-acres	21,976	2	15	770	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	11,791	3	17	1,020	2,691
Land used for vegetables-acres	10,992	2	20	58	2,741
Hay crops-acres	8,847	5	20	1,825	3,061
Wheat-acres	8,404	1	16	838	2,612

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 .....	358	389	-8
\$10,000 or more .....	302	363	-17
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	52,930	42,135	26
Average per farm .....dollars..	80,197	56,031	43
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	13,882	11,138	25
Average per farm .....dollars..	21,033	14,811	42
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	581	642	-10
Partnership or corporation .....	79	109	-28
Other .....	-	1	-100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	296	358	-17
Other .....	364	394	-8
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	595	693	-14
Female .....	65	59	10
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	652	739	-12
Black and other races .....	8	13	-38
Average age of operator .....	53.4	51.2	4

(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.