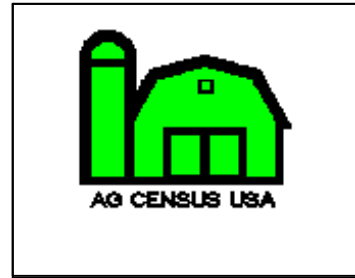


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Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 2,636 acres in 1992 to 2,633 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 5 percent from 21 acres in 1992 to 22 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 70 farms in 1992 to 63 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

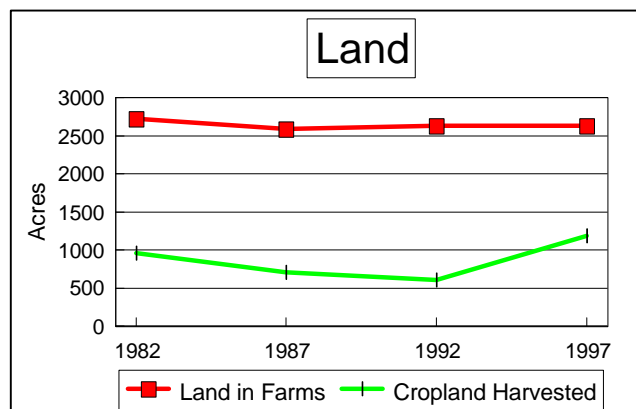
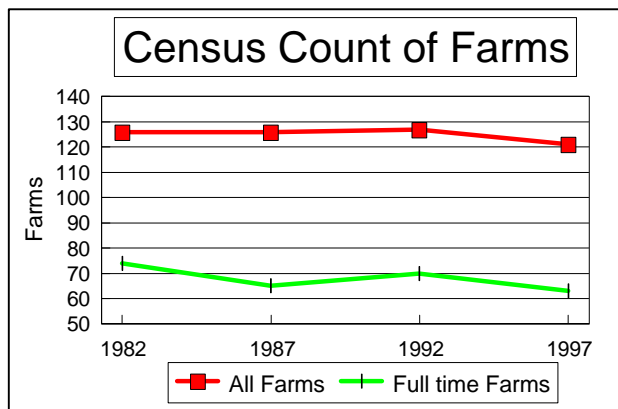
Increased 36 percent to \$9,008,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 96 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 4 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 43 percent from \$52,177 in 1992 to \$74,444 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	9,008	16	20	2,557	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	8,650	16	20	1,850	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	358	15	20	2,974	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	7,828	12	20	269	2,790
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	691	17	20	652	2,739
Poultry & poultry products	163	9	20	1,272	2,901
Fruits, nuts, berries	113	15	20	878	2,547
Aquaculture	(D)	5	16	395	1,505
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	5,900	5	20	894	2,203
Turkeys sold	(D)	4	18	412	1,353
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	5	14	780	1,882
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	11	18	1,069	2,200
Sheep and lambs sold	80	16	19	2,088	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,800	9	20	985	3,002
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	1,498	2	18	437	2,549
Broiler inventory	(D)	4	18	882	2,620
All turkeys inventory	240	7	19	449	2,361
Horse and pony inventory	143	18	20	2,745	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
All nursery-acres	647	15	20	443	2,619
Land used for vegetables-acres	220	17	20	926	2,741
Hay crops-acres	205	17	20	3,004	3,061
Land in orchards-acres	95	15	20	1,064	2,693
Total herbs-acres	88	9	18	102	649

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	52	62	-16
\$10,000 or more	69	65	6
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	5,718	4,770	20
Average per farmdollars..	47,252	36,977	28
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	2,751	2,020	36
Average per farmdollars..	22,733	15,662	45
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	77	83	-7
Partnership or corporation	43	44	-2
Other	1	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	63	70	-10
Other	58	57	2
Operators by sex:			
Male	101	109	-7
Female	20	18	11
Operators by race:			
White	119	125	-5
Black and other races	2	2	
Average age of operator	60.1	57.6	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.