

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Increased 7 percent from 97,186 acres in 1992 to 103,667 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 2 percent from 119 acres in 1992 to 121 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 7 percent from 405 farms in 1992 to 432 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

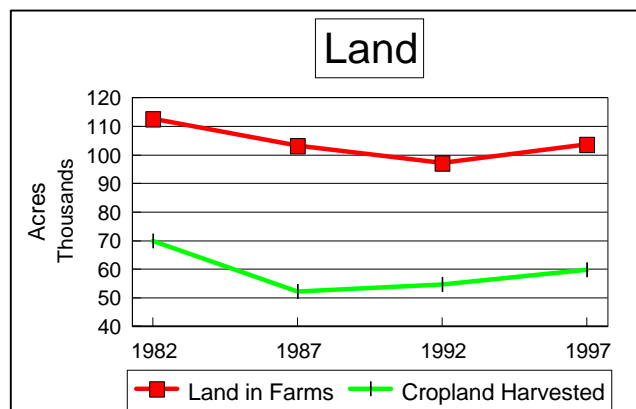
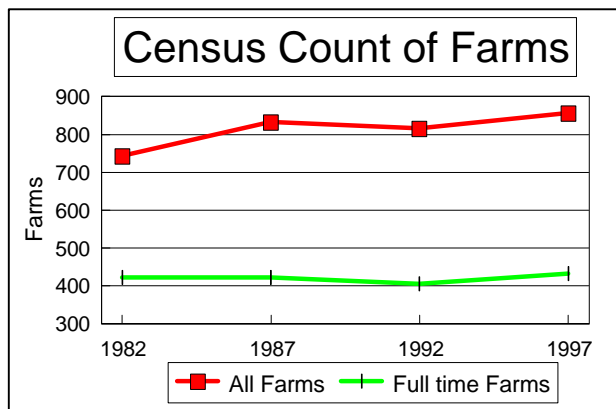
Increased 36 percent to \$87,535,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 87 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 13 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 29 percent from \$79,121 in 1992 to \$102,141 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                   | 87,535   | 2     | 20        | 630   | 3,076     |
| Value of crops including nursery                            | 75,845   | 2     | 20        | 268   | 3,070     |
| Value of livestock and poultry                              | 11,690   | 3     | 20        | 1,736 | 3,069     |
| <b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>  |          |       |           |       |           |
| Fruits, nuts, berries                                       | 28,837   | 2     | 20        | 68    | 2,547     |
| Nursery and greenhouse crops                                | 26,929   | 3     | 20        | 74    | 2,790     |
| Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons                          | 9,063    | 6     | 20        | 116   | 2,739     |
| Dairy products  | 5,125    | 4     | 14        | 629   | 2,563     |
| Soybeans  | 4,875    | 1     | 15        | 743   | 2,136     |
| <b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>       |          |       |           |       |           |
| Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold                        | 38,885   | 3     | 18        | 131   | 2,200     |
| Turkeys sold  | (D)      | 1     | 18        | 338   | 1,353     |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold                  | (D)      | 3     | 14        | 741   | 1,882     |
| Cattle and calves sold                                      | 2,102    | 6     | 19        | 2,637 | 3,063     |
| Hogs and pigs sold  | 630      | 10    | 20        | 1,974 | 2,976     |
| <b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>  |          |       |           |       |           |
| Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory                   | 27,650   | 1     | 19        | 70    | 2,884     |
| Cattle and calves inventory                                 | 4,720    | 5     | 20        | 2,608 | 3,064     |
| Horse and pony inventory                                    | 2,469    | 3     | 20        | 145   | 3,066     |
| Layers 20 weeks and older inventory                         | 1,703    | 10    | 20        | 999   | 3,002     |
| All turkeys inventory                                       | (D)      | 3     | 19        | 386   | 2,361     |
| <b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>                     |          |       |           |       |           |
| Soybeans for beans-acres                                    | 24,088   | 1     | 15        | 743   | 2,144     |
| Corn for grain-acres  | 11,171   | 4     | 17        | 1,044 | 2,691     |
| Hay crops-acres   | 7,261    | 6     | 20        | 1,990 | 3,061     |
| Wheat-acres   | 5,286    | 4     | 16        | 1,034 | 2,612     |
| Total berries-acres   | (D)      | 2     | 20        | 12    | 2,058     |

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 .....                       | 448    | 460    | -3             |
| \$10,000 or more .....                         | 409    | 356    | 15             |
| Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..  | 64,263 | 53,166 | 21             |
| Average per farm .....dollars..                | 75,073 | 65,075 | 15             |
| <b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b> |        |        |                |
| for the farm unit .....\$1,000..               | 23,669 | 10,531 | 125            |
| Average per farm .....dollars..                | 27,651 | 12,890 | 115            |
| <b>Farms by type of organization:</b>          |        |        |                |
| Individual or family .....                     | 695    | 672    | 3              |
| Partnership or corporation .....               | 156    | 139    | 12             |
| Other .....                                    | 6      | 5      | 20             |
| <b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>                |        |        |                |
| <b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>      |        |        |                |
| Farming .....                                  | 432    | 405    | 7              |
| Other .....                                    | 425    | 411    | 3              |
| <b>Operators by sex:</b>                       |        |        |                |
| Male .....                                     | 738    | 718    | 3              |
| Female .....                                   | 119    | 98     | 21             |
| <b>Operators by race:</b>                      |        |        |                |
| White .....                                    | 836    | 802    | 4              |
| Black and other races .....                    | 21     | 14     | 50             |
| Average age of operator .....                  | 54.5   | 52.9   | 3              |

(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.