

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
New York Agricultural Statistics Service



DUTCHESS NEW YORK

Land in farms

Decreased 3 percent from 109,692 acres in 1992 to 106,749 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Unchanged from 198 acres in 1992 to 198 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 1 percent from 291 farms in 1992 to 295 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

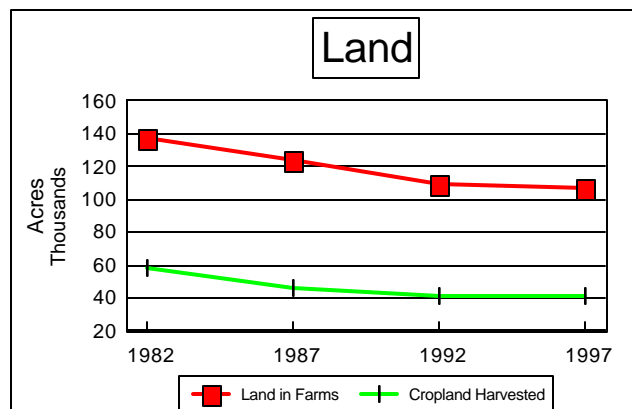
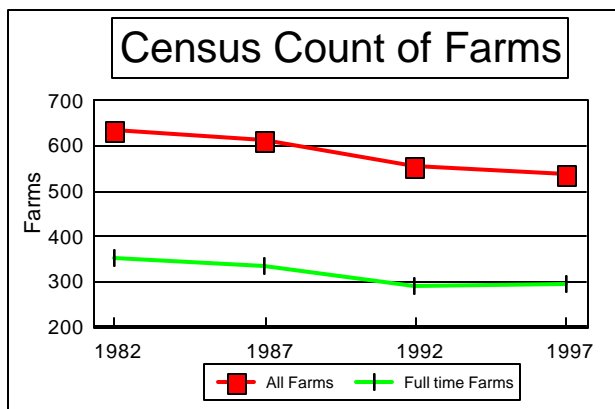
Increased 3 percent to \$33,964,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 49 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 51 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 5 percent from \$59,730 in 1992 to \$63,013 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	33,964	37	61	1,606	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	17,491	39	58	1,378	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	16,473	20	61	1,421	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	9,198	39	53	403	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	7,365	5	61	281	2,790
Horses and ponies	4,675	1	56	17	3,015
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	4,051	14	59	222	2,739
Cattle and calves	2,581	35	56	1,970	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	5	51	129	2,200
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	3	47	684	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	26	54	890	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	5,904	39	56	2,020	3,063
Turkeys sold	(D)	6	47	429	1,353
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	12,366	39	56	1,958	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	5	57	167	2,884
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	9,011	23	56	812	3,002
Broiler inventory	7,429	3	53	631	2,620
Sheep and lamb inventory	2,856	4	55	402	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	26,782	33	56	757	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	5,218	29	53	1,301	2,691
Corn for silage-acres	4,346	39	54	347	2,473
Land used for vegetables-acres	2,800	17	59	225	2,741
Land in orchards-acres	1,124	17	56	308	2,693

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	250	267	-6
\$10,000 or more	289	287	1
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	26,914	30,768	-13
Average per farmdollars..	49,657	55,638	-11
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	3,490	1,492	134
Average per farmdollars..	6,440	2,697	139
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	383	369	4
Partnership or corporation	145	177	-18
Other	11	8	38
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	295	291	1
Other	244	263	-7
Operators by sex:			
Male	446	484	-8
Female	93	70	33
Operators by race:			
White	534	551	-3
Black and other races	5	3	67
Average age of operator	56.7	54.7	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.