

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
New York Agricultural Statistics Service



NIAGARA NEW YORK

Land in farms

Decreased 6 percent from 135,494 acres in 1992 to 127,355 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 2 percent from 181 acres in 1992 to 185 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 13 percent from 391 farms in 1992 to 340 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

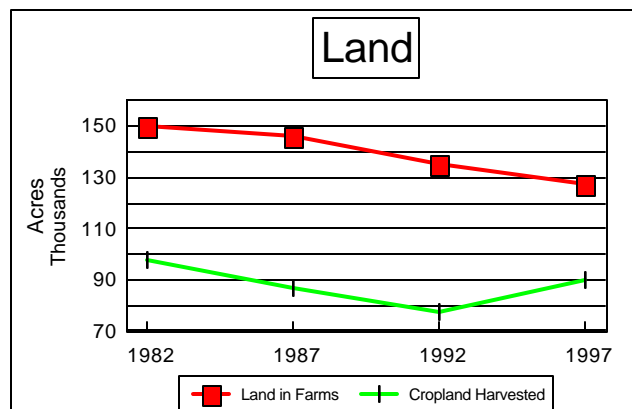
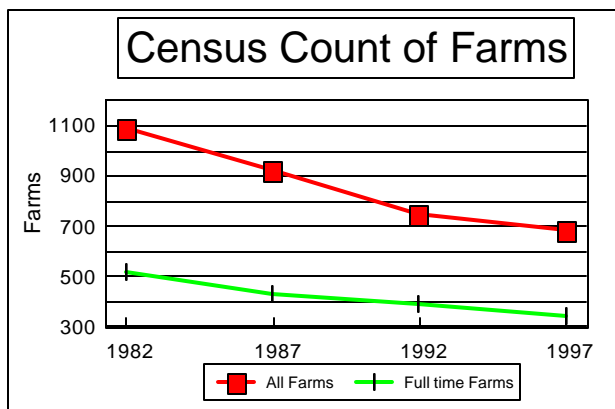
Increased 25 percent to \$57,726,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 66 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 34 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 37 percent from \$61,449 in 1992 to \$84,026 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	57,726	22	61	1,032	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	38,174	7	61	760	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	19,553	36	58	1,267	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	15,256	34	53	266	2,563
Fruits, nuts, berries	13,620	5	57	103	2,547
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	8,980	9	59	118	2,739
Corn for grain	6,297	7	51	720	2,582
Nursery and greenhouse crops	4,681	11	61	414	2,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	22	54	753	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	7,154	36	56	1,872	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	1,696	19	56	1,624	2,976
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	530	20	47	1,058	1,882
Sheep and lambs sold	512	33	55	1,228	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	22	56	711	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	17,814	32	56	1,645	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	13	54	401	2,588
Hogs and pigs inventory	956	19	56	1,631	3,005
Sheep and lamb inventory	915	28	55	1,016	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	28,739	7	53	687	2,691
Hay crops-acres	28,601	29	56	710	3,061
Land in orchards-acres	8,266	4	56	87	2,693
Corn for silage-acres	6,414	32	54	227	2,473
Wheat-acres	6,341	8	46	948	2,612

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	350	414	-15
\$10,000 or more	337	335	1
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	43,173	38,491	12
Average per farmdollars..	62,935	51,459	22
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	12,087	6,885	76
Average per farmdollars..	17,619	9,205	91
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	611	664	-8
Partnership or corporation	75	85	-12
Other	1	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	340	391	-13
Other	347	358	-3
Operators by sex:			
Male	623	700	-11
Female	64	49	31
Operators by race:			
White	682	745	-8
Black and other races	5	4	25
Average age of operator	54.0	53.7	1

(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.