

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
New York Agricultural Statistics Service



ORANGE NEW YORK

Land in farms

Decreased 8 percent from 102,733 acres in 1992 to 94,771 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 5 percent from 160 acres in 1992 to 152 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 7 percent from 466 farms in 1992 to 435 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

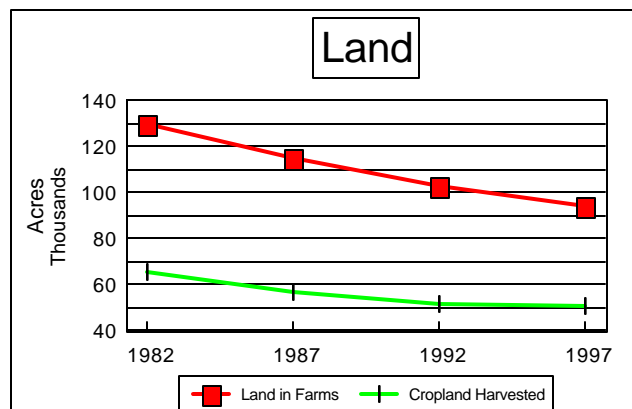
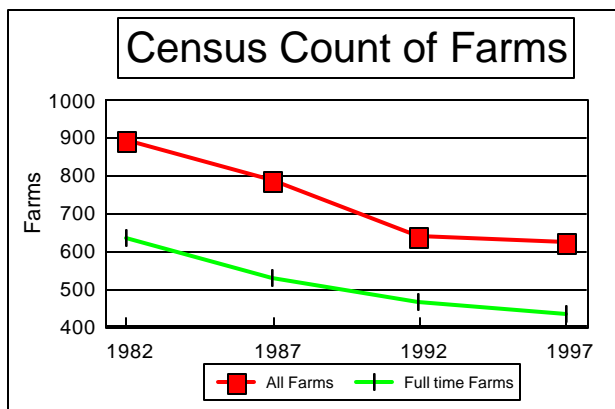
Decreased 6 percent to \$69,847,000 in 1997.

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

Decreased 4 percent from \$116,450 in 1992 to \$111,934 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	69,847	17	61	826	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	44,425	5	61	632	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	25,421	29	58	1,021	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	20,961	2	59	53	2,739
Dairy products	20,168	28	53	208	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	15,027	3	61	143	2,790
Fruits, nuts, berries	6,036	9	57	143	2,547
Cattle and calves	2,480	37	56	2,004	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	12	54	483	2,203
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	7	51	230	2,200
Cattle and calves sold	8,616	30	56	1,734	3,063
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	9	46	227	1,593
Sheep and lambs sold	686	28	55	1,050	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	11	56	370	3,002
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	5	45	177	1,790
Cattle and calves inventory	17,787	33	56	1,649	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	2,295	2	57	166	3,066
Sheep and lamb inventory	973	25	55	971	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	28,550	30	56	711	3,061
Land used for vegetables-acres	8,538	7	59	81	2,741
Corn for silage-acres	7,902	29	54	170	2,473
Corn for grain-acres	4,671	32	53	1,342	2,691
Land in orchards-acres	2,170	11	56	204	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	188	188	
\$10,000 or more	436	453	-4
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	54,735	56,640	-3
Average per farmdollars..	87,296	88,362	-1
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	12,757	17,049	-25
Average per farmdollars..	20,346	26,598	-24
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	473	488	-3
Partnership or corporation	148	145	2
Other	3	8	-63
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	435	466	-7
Other	189	175	8
Operators by sex:			
Male	552	549	1
Female	72	92	-22
Operators by race:			
White	621	638	-3
Black and other races	3	3	
Average age of operator	52.9	50.6	5

(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.