

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
New York Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Decreased 6 percent from 117,799 acres in 1992 to 110,773 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 6 percent from 228 acres in 1992 to 214 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 3 percent from 320 farms in 1992 to 311 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

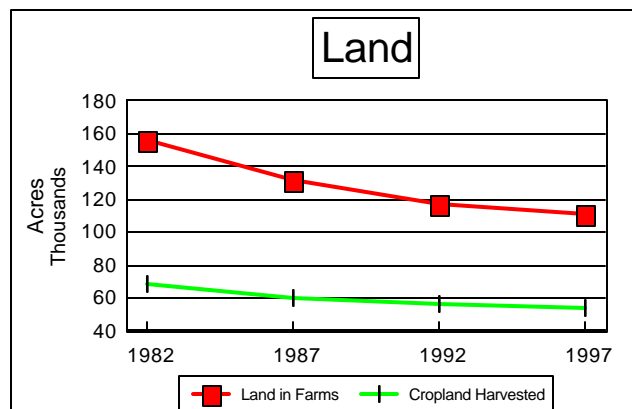
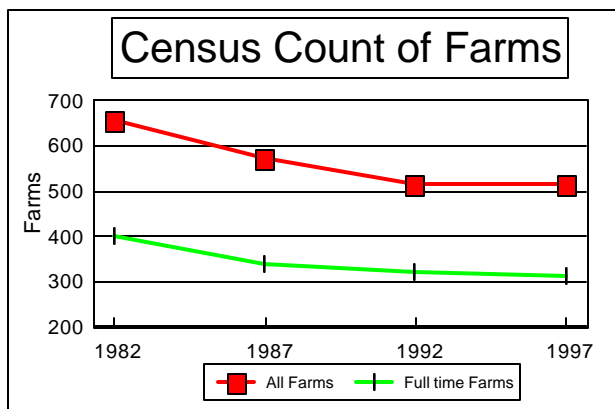
Decreased 9 percent to \$26,973,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 22 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 78 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 10 percent from \$57,541 in 1992 to \$52,071 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	26,973	42	61	1,853	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	21,126	32	58	1,186	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	5,847	35	61	2,051	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Dairy products	17,976	30	53	232	2,563
Cattle and calves	2,665	34	56	1,935	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1,549	36	61	796	2,790
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	1,410	28	56	619	3,043
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	1,039	26	59	527	2,739
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	8,011	32	56	1,796	3,063
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	8	47	793	1,882
Sheep and lambs sold	1,443	10	55	617	2,765
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	29	54	980	2,203
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	718	21	51	849	2,200
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	21,324	28	56	1,480	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,651	35	56	1,005	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,571	14	55	661	2,864
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	15	54	422	2,588
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	1,056	16	57	671	2,884
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	42,584	20	56	379	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	7,373	31	54	186	2,473
Corn for grain-acres	4,213	36	53	1,395	2,691
Land used for vegetables-acres	686	28	59	565	2,741
Maple trees tapped-acres	316	19	51	74	427

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 .....	267	274	-3
\$10,000 or more .....	251	242	4
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	19,450	24,630	-21
Average per farm .....dollars..	37,404	47,732	-22
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	2,784	4,916	-43
Average per farm .....dollars..	5,354	9,527	-44
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	459	450	2
Partnership or corporation .....	56	61	-8
Other .....	3	5	-40
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	311	320	-3
Other .....	207	196	6
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	457	467	-2
Female .....	61	49	24
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	516	514	0
Black and other races .....	2	2	
Average age of operator .....	53.0	53.8	-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.