

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
New York Agricultural Statistics Service



CATTARAUGUS NEW YORK

Land in farms

Decreased 6 percent from 203,704 acres in 1992 to 192,015 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 6 percent from 216 acres in 1992 to 203 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 554 farms in 1992 to 498 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

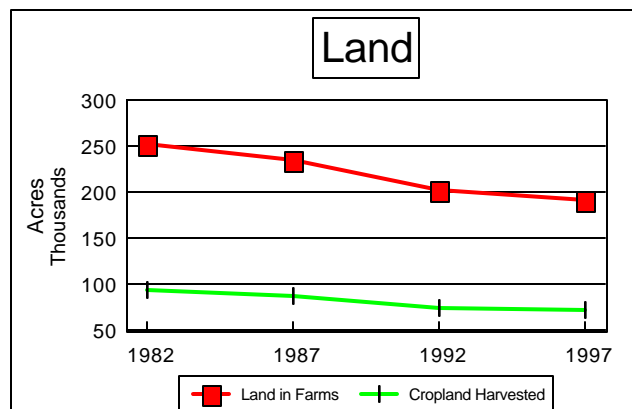
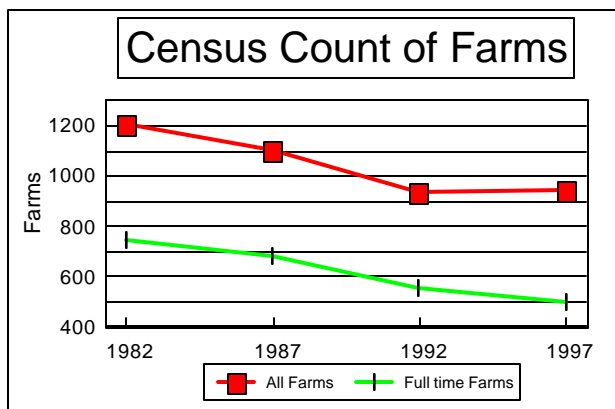
Decreased 5 percent to \$53,473,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 20 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 80 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 5 percent from \$59,606 in 1992 to \$56,526 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	53,473	23	61	1,122	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	43,037	19	58	617	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	10,436	24	61	1,726	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	36,991	18	53	116	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	6,018	7	61	327	2,790
Cattle and calves	5,562	13	56	1,386	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	1,586	24	56	532	3,043
Fruits, nuts, berries	1,118	21	57	298	2,547
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	17,571	14	56	1,119	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	1,466	21	56	1,680	2,976
Turkeys sold	(D)	9	47	452	1,353
Sheep and lambs sold	829	22	55	920	2,765
Rabbits and their pelts sold	510	12	46	345	1,593
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	39,776	15	56	833	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	2,146	33	56	945	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	1,417	7	57	428	3,066
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,046	24	55	921	2,864
Hogs and pigs inventory	1,008	18	56	1,602	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	51,152	16	56	251	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	15,667	13	54	54	2,473
Corn for grain-acres	4,657	33	53	1,344	2,691
All nursery-acres	2,559	4	60	99	2,619
Oats-acres	2,260	14	51	315	2,332

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	505	429	18
\$10,000 or more	441	512	-14
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	42,503	43,787	-3
Average per farmdollars..	44,976	46,532	-3
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	7,956	10,978	-28
Average per farmdollars..	8,419	11,666	-28
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	841	832	1
Partnership or corporation	103	105	-2
Other	2	4	-50
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	498	554	-10
Other	448	387	16
Operators by sex:			
Male	869	865	0
Female	77	76	1
Operators by race:			
White	943	939	0
Black and other races	3	2	50
Average age of operator	52.6	52.3	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.