

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
New York Agricultural Statistics Service



WESTCHESTER NEW YORK

Land in farms

Increased 32 percent from 5,709 acres in 1992 to 7,528 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 41 percent from 59 acres in 1992 to 83 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 10 percent from 39 farms in 1992 to 43 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

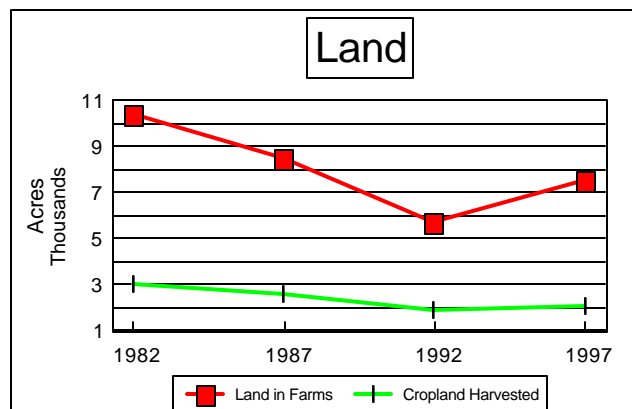
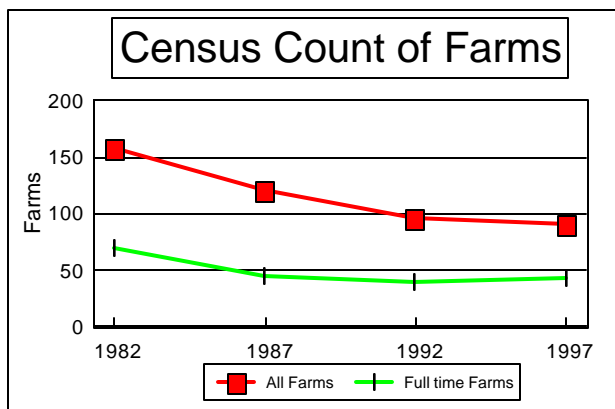
Increased 48 percent to \$10,568,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 70 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 30 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 58 percent from \$73,427 in 1992 to \$116,135 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	10,568	48	61	2,479	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	7,357	31	61	1,935	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	3,211	51	58	2,567	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	5,963	8	61	332	2,790
Horses and ponies	3,001	2	56	26	3,015
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	980	27	59	550	2,739
Fruits, nuts, berries	269	33	57	606	2,547
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	139	52	56	2,545	3,043
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	7	47	790	1,882
Turkeys sold	(D)	8	47	450	1,353
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	31	55	1,147	2,765
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	26	51	1,028	2,200
All goats sold	(D)	3	53	286	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Horse and pony inventory	435	46	57	1,779	3,066
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	36	57	1,153	2,884
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	344	52	56	1,968	3,002
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	18	45	432	1,790
Broiler inventory	(D)	22	53	1,141	2,620
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	1,297	51	56	2,828	3,061
Land used for vegetables-acres	328	40	59	777	2,741
Land in orchards-acres	248	27	56	687	2,693
All nursery-acres	184	50	60	941	2,619
Corn for silage-acres	(D)	53	54	2,200	2,473

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	37	50	-26
\$10,000 or more	54	47	15
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	6,374	6,256	2
Average per farmdollars..	70,040	65,171	7
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	4,195	890	371
Average per farmdollars..	46,095	9,273	397
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	48	57	-16
Partnership or corporation	41	39	5
Other	2	1	100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	43	39	10
Other	48	58	-17
Operators by sex:			
Male	80	84	-5
Female	11	13	-15
Operators by race:			
White	91	96	-5
Black and other races	-	1	-100
Average age of operator	57.5	53.7	7

(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.