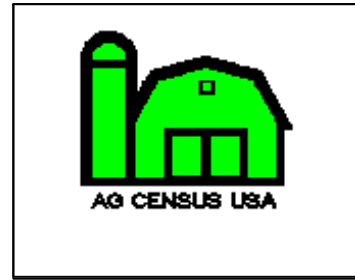


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Land in farms

Decreased 9 percent from 127,663 acres in 1992 to 116,004 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 9 percent from 169 acres in 1992 to 185 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 22 percent from 432 farms in 1992 to 336 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

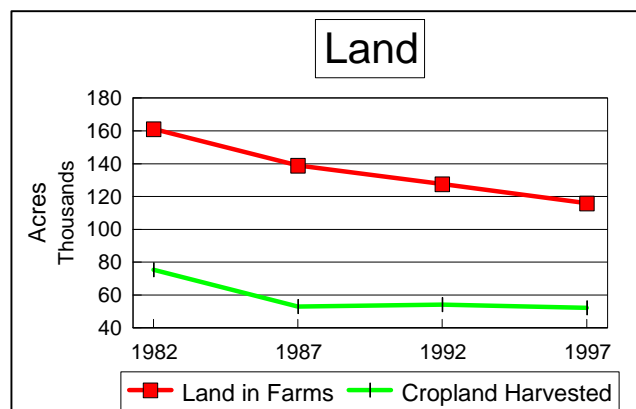
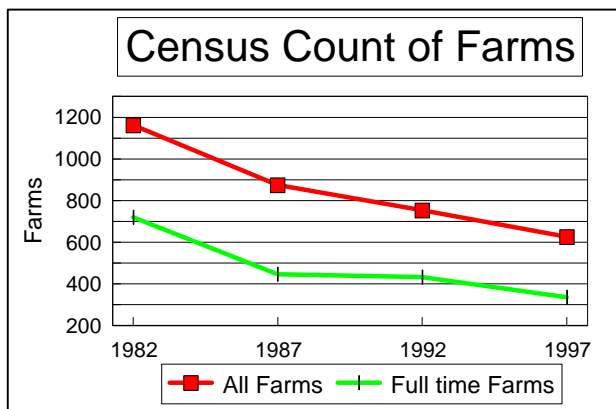
Increased 52 percent to \$94,083,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 47 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 53 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 83 percent from \$82,092 in 1992 to \$150,292 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	94,083	27	100	564	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	49,801	27	100	509	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	44,282	18	100	637	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Tobacco	34,048	12	86	16	580
Poultry & poultry products	27,981	21	97	219	2,901
Hogs and pigs	16,708	25	95	218	2,976
Cotton, cottonseed	4,448	24	60	250	709
Cattle and calves	2,890	21	99	1,881	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	13,973,775	14	68	139	1,882
Hogs and pigs sold	253,145	25	95	122	2,976
Turkeys sold	(D)	25	46	244	1,353
Cattle and calves sold	5,624	33	99	2,073	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	221	32	63	1,139	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	3,018,204	11	81	108	2,620
Hogs and pigs inventory	77,884	23	97	211	3,005
All turkeys inventory	(D)	25	74	231	2,361
Cattle and calves inventory	10,018	38	99	2,147	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	1,626	20	86	516	2,884
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	17,883	25	88	819	2,144
Cotton-acres	10,978	24	60	251	713
Tobacco-acres	9,959	12	86	15	583
Corn for grain-acres	4,690	44	100	1,340	2,691
Wheat-acres	4,269	39	86	1,138	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	313	349	-10
\$10,000 or more	313	405	-23
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	67,436	46,788	44
Average per farmdollars..	107,898	62,135	74
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	17,874	14,293	25
Average per farmdollars..	28,598	18,982	51
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	549	656	-16
Partnership or corporation	74	95	-22
Other	3	3	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	336	432	-22
Other	290	322	-10
Operators by sex:			
Male	566	713	-21
Female	60	41	46
Operators by race:			
White	605	733	-17
Black and other races	21	21	
Average age of operator	53.7	54.0	-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.