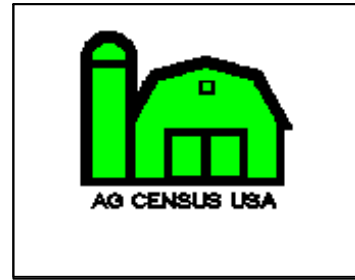


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Land in farms

Decreased 13 percent from 131,767 acres in 1992 to 115,202 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 9 percent from 271 acres in 1992 to 296 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 19 percent from 340 farms in 1992 to 276 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

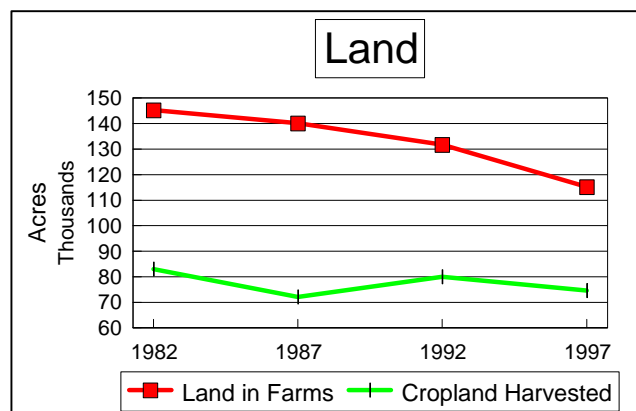
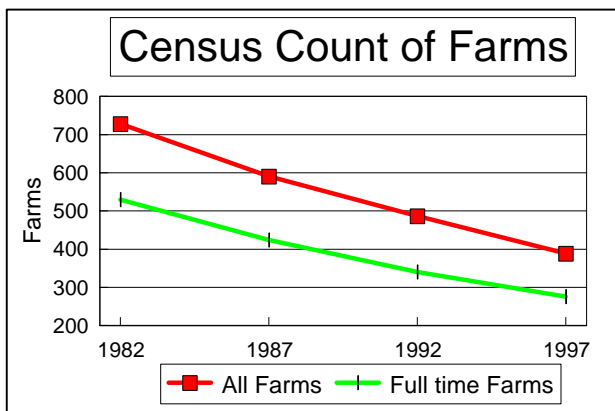
Increased 10 percent to \$62,958,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 86 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 14 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 38 percent from \$117,272 in 1992 to \$161,846 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	62,958	37	100	929	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	53,903	15	100	488	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	9,055	66	100	1,930	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Tobacco	21,380	21	86	33	580
Cotton, cottonseed	16,326	4	60	101	709
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	11,021	5	97	125	2,237
Poultry & poultry products	6,027	49	97	541	2,901
Hogs and pigs	2,406	46	95	756	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	3,219,500	37	68	323	1,882
Hogs and pigs sold	22,857	47	95	774	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	732	80	99	2,881	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	37	63	1,301	2,200
Horses and ponies sold	22	57	96	2,386	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	579,620	35	81	307	2,620
Hogs and pigs inventory	10,583	44	97	780	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	1,894	76	99	2,847	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	193	41	86	1,598	2,884
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	106	77	98	2,612	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Cotton-acres	37,139	5	60	98	713
Peanuts-acres	12,757	4	45	40	466
Soybeans for beans-acres	9,162	39	88	1,023	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	8,817	33	100	1,121	2,691
Tobacco-acres	5,402	23	86	42	583

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	75	105	-29
\$10,000 or more	314	382	-18
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	40,414	42,534	-5
Average per farmdollars..	103,892	87,161	19
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	14,825	12,969	14
Average per farmdollars..	38,110	26,576	43
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	310	403	-23
Partnership or corporation	73	82	-11
Other	6	2	200
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	276	340	-19
Other	113	147	-23
Operators by sex:			
Male	376	463	-19
Female	13	24	-46
Operators by race:			
White	358	445	-20
Black and other races	31	42	-26
Average age of operator	53.9	54.8	-2

(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.