

1997 Census of Agriculture State Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
North Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service



NORTH DAKOTA

Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 39,438,144 acres in 1992 to 39,359,346 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 2 percent from 1,267 acres in 1992 to 1,290 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 25,189 farms in 1992 to 22,677 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

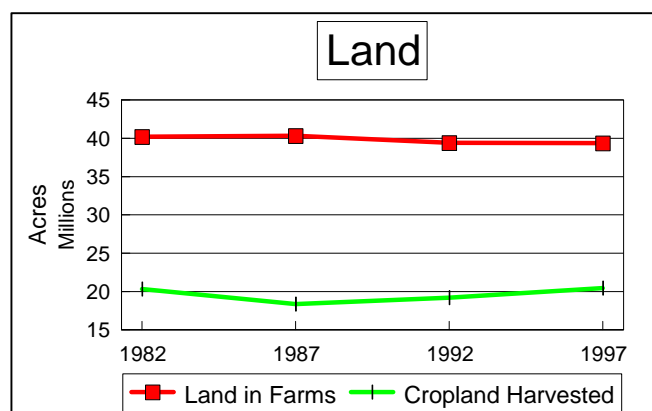
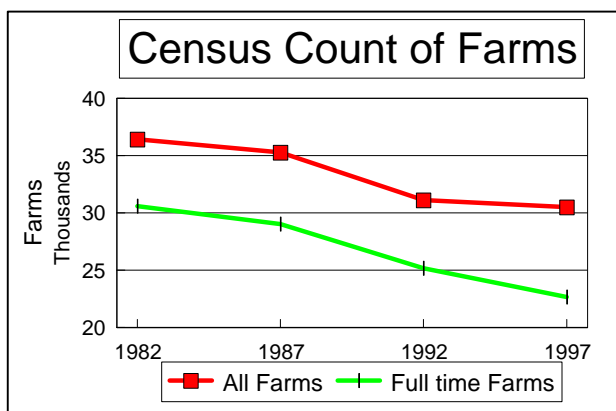
Increased 5 percent to \$2,869,322,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 76 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 24 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 7 percent from \$88,223 in 1992 to \$94,064 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	2,869,322	27	50
Value of crops including nursery	2,193,672	15	50
Value of livestock and poultry	675,649	36	50
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)			
Wheat	982,012	2	46
Cattle and calves	497,884	19	50
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	374,208	3	49
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	292,811	8	50
Soybeans	185,215	18	40
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)			
Turkeys sold	2,624,037	21	49
Cattle and calves sold	1,055,343	19	50
Hogs and pigs sold	374,733	25	50
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	193,401	37	50
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	46	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)			
Cattle and calves inventory	1,810,409	16	50
All turkeys inventory	562,851	21	50
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	199,319	45	50
Hogs and pigs inventory	197,372	26	50
Sheep and lamb inventory	130,892	15	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA			
Wheat-acres	10,874,126	1	46
Hay crops-acres	2,702,807	6	50
Barley-acres	2,178,700	1	45
Sunflower seed-acres	1,347,376	1	45
Soybeans for beans-acres	1,062,624	17	42

Other State Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	7,581	5,693	33
\$10,000 or more	22,923	25,430	-10
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	2,453,342	2,090,938	17
Average per farmdollars..	80,453	67,181	20
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	399,832	652,308	-39
Average per farmdollars..	13,112	20,958	-37
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	26,660	27,093	-2
Partnership or corporation	3,626	3,853	-6
Other	218	177	23
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	22,677	25,189	-10
Other	7,827	5,934	32
Operators by sex:			
Male	29,168	30,184	-3
Female	1,336	939	42
Operators by race:			
White	30,305	30,993	-2
Black and other races	199	130	53
Average age of operator	51.4	50.0	3

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

* Universe is number of states in U.S. with item.