

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
North Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service



MOUNTRAIL NORTH DAKOTA

Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 1,000,679 acres in 1992 to 997,139 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 2 percent from 1,343 acres in 1992 to 1,321 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 5 percent from 579 farms in 1992 to 551 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

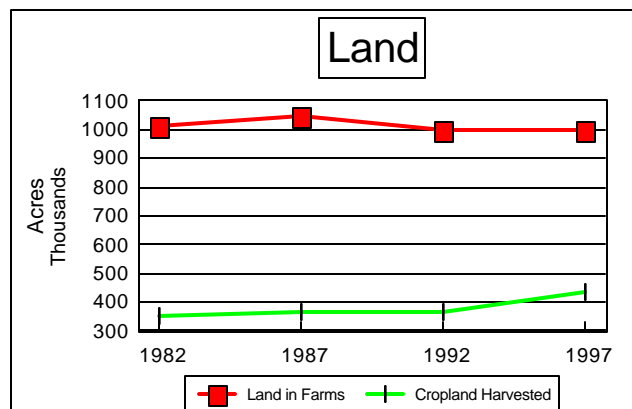
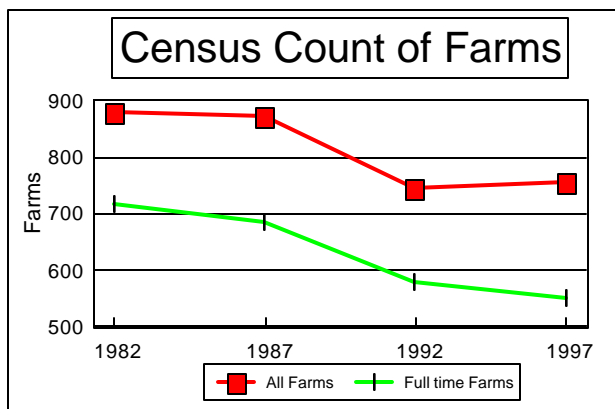
Increased 21 percent to \$49,173,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 78 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 22 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 19 percent from \$54,724 in 1992 to \$65,130 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	49,173	23	53	1,219	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	38,354	23	53	750	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	10,819	27	53	1,806	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Wheat	34,077	5	53	19	2,578
Cattle and calves	9,554	20	53	930	3,063
Barley	1,394	28	53	112	1,167
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	1,269	39	53	267	1,971
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	1,189	12	53	767	3,043
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	21,826	18	53	906	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	1,107	30	53	771	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	384	4	53	122	3,015
Hogs and pigs sold	382	45	53	2,171	2,976
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	22	39	1,391	1,882
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	34,876	20	53	962	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	2	43	47	2,588
Horse and pony inventory	1,546	4	53	353	3,066
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,540	29	53	677	2,864
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	290	27	53	2,093	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Wheat-acres	349,371	9	53	14	2,612
Hay crops-acres	65,066	14	53	145	3,061
Barley-acres	15,858	31	53	92	1,411
Oats-acres	8,922	18	53	42	2,332
Total canola and other rapeseed-acres	4,736	19	49	24	208

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	196	158	24
\$10,000 or more	559	587	-5
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	37,616	29,481	28
Average per farmdollars..	49,888	39,625	26
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	10,291	11,354	-9
Average per farmdollars..	13,649	15,260	-11
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	660	662	-0
Partnership or corporation	89	81	10
Other	6	2	200
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	551	579	-5
Other	204	166	23
Operators by sex:			
Male	724	720	1
Female	31	25	24
Operators by race:			
White	752	744	1
Black and other races	3	1	200
Average age of operator	52.9	52.4	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.