

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
North Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service



SHERIDAN NORTH DAKOTA

Land in farms

Decreased 6 percent from 521,343 acres in 1992 to 491,998 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 4 percent from 1,244 acres in 1992 to 1,295 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 24 percent from 381 farms in 1992 to 290 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

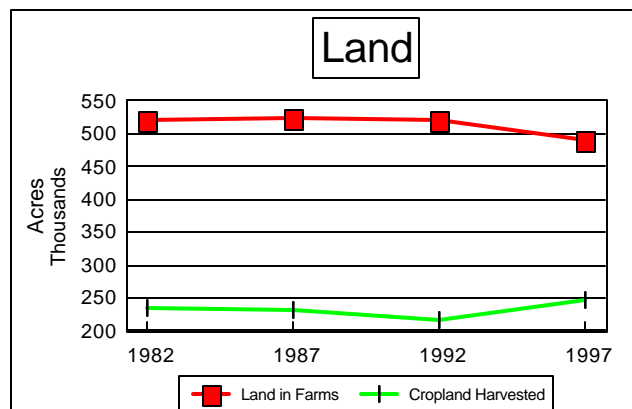
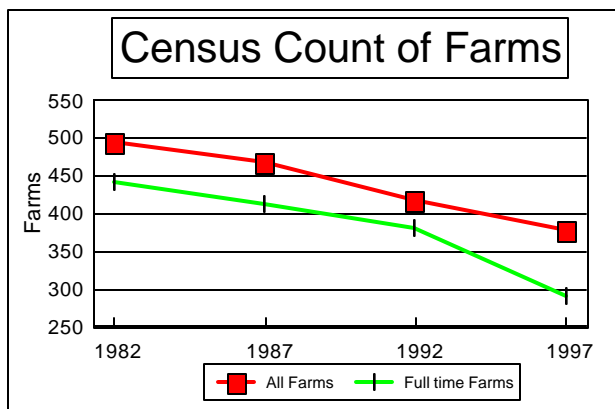
Increased 27 percent to \$27,388,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 64 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 36 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 41 percent from \$51,292 in 1992 to \$72,075 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	27,388	45	53	1,838	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	17,478	39	53	1,371	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	9,910	32	53	1,869	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Wheat	10,332	40	53	215	2,578
Cattle and calves	7,871	31	53	1,102	3,063
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	3,922	29	53	153	1,971
Barley	2,349	25	53	84	1,167
Dairy products	1,700	14	51	1,132	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	16,495	31	53	1,159	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	1,052	36	53	1,798	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	502	48	53	1,239	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	15	39	1,093	1,882
Horses and ponies sold	14	48	53	2,617	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	27,283	32	53	1,230	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	552	49	53	1,355	2,864
Hogs and pigs inventory	522	41	53	1,860	3,005
Broiler inventory	(D)	16	44	1,105	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	250	30	53	2,194	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Wheat-acres	135,965	36	53	126	2,612
Hay crops-acres	48,183	25	53	297	3,061
Barley-acres	27,992	25	53	57	1,411
Sunflower seed-acres	24,543	20	53	33	674
Oats-acres	7,351	24	53	68	2,332

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	88	84	5
\$10,000 or more	292	335	-13
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	22,914	18,012	27
Average per farmdollars..	60,300	42,989	40
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	3,910	4,104	-5
Average per farmdollars..	10,289	9,794	5
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	331	359	-8
Partnership or corporation	47	60	-22
Other	2	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	290	381	-24
Other	90	38	137
Operators by sex:			
Male	365	407	-10
Female	15	12	25
Operators by race:			
White	380	419	-9
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	54.5	53.3	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.