

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
North Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service



WILLIAMS NORTH DAKOTA

Land in farms

Increased 2 percent from 1,182,658 acres in 1992 to 1,205,246 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased slightly from 1,420 acres in 1992 to 1,418 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 4 percent from 649 farms in 1992 to 620 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

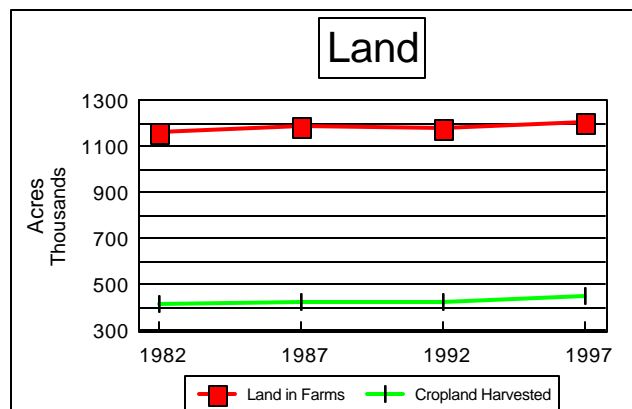
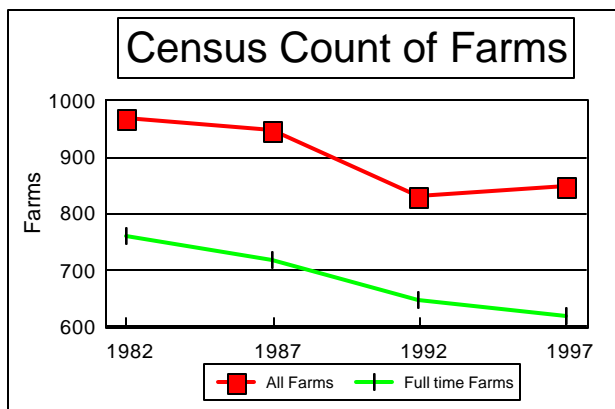
Increased 15 percent to \$53,022,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 81 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 19 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 13 percent from \$55,152 in 1992 to \$62,379 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	53,022	20	53	1,133	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	42,688	19	53	669	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	10,334	30	53	1,835	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Wheat	36,770	4	53	15	2,578
Cattle and calves	9,349	22	53	951	3,063
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	3,172	12	48	292	2,237
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	1,106	13	53	839	3,043
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	766	43	53	344	1,971
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	21,148	19	53	927	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	1,367	34	53	1,709	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	670	41	53	1,070	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	101	19	53	911	3,015
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	22	39	1,391	1,882
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	31,701	25	53	1,068	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	4,800	11	43	124	2,588
Hogs and pigs inventory	1,562	27	53	1,436	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	936	13	53	818	3,066
Sheep and lamb inventory	887	39	53	1,044	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Wheat-acres	386,421	4	53	7	2,612
Hay crops-acres	44,597	28	53	345	3,061
Barley-acres	10,815	42	53	127	1,411
Oats-acres	6,325	26	53	80	2,332
Sugarbeets, sugar-acres	(D)	8	9	63	199

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	237	198	20
\$10,000 or more	613	635	-3
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	40,006	33,251	20
Average per farmdollars..	47,121	39,917	18
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	12,924	14,204	-9
Average per farmdollars..	15,223	17,051	-11
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	750	733	2
Partnership or corporation	92	92	
Other	8	8	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	620	649	-4
Other	230	184	25
Operators by sex:			
Male	804	817	-2
Female	46	16	188
Operators by race:			
White	837	832	1
Black and other races	13	1	1200
Average age of operator	52.6	52.4	0

(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.