

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
North Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 1,070,528 acres in 1992 to 1,067,667 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 9 percent from 1,066 acres in 1992 to 1,162 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 9 percent from 826 farms in 1992 to 752 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

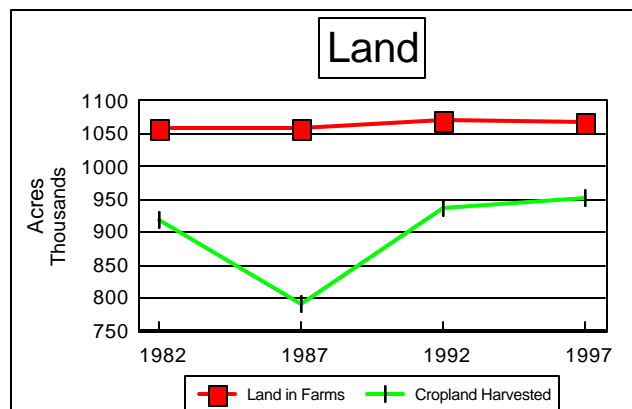
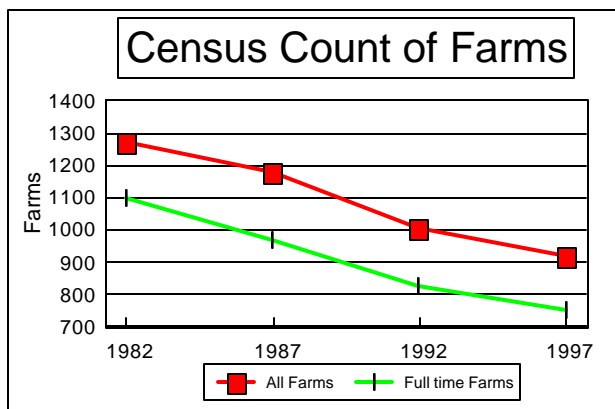
Increased 5 percent to \$169,041,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 92 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 8 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 15 percent from \$160,185 in 1992 to \$183,941 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	169,041	1	53	189	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	154,998	1	53	68	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	14,043	19	53	1,579	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Soybeans	60,083	1	45	8	2,136
Wheat	46,145	2	53	12	2,578
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	16,923	6	48	83	2,237
Corn for grain	14,601	2	52	449	2,582
All other grains: rye, drybeans, etc	9,316	17	53	82	1,971
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	1	18	530	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	26,252	3	53	737	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	12,409	39	53	1,413	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	2,132	15	53	449	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	1,325	9	39	884	1,882
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	1	53	394	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	18,476	40	53	1,609	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	13,380	4	53	712	3,005
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	7	43	90	2,588
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,789	23	53	602	2,864
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Wheat-acres	405,205	3	53	6	2,612
Soybeans for beans-acres	329,129	1	45	1	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	69,562	2	52	364	2,691
Barley-acres	50,737	19	53	33	1,411
Sunflower seed-acres	42,881	10	53	15	674

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	162	114	42
\$10,000 or more .....	757	890	-15
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	139,894	124,102	13
Average per farm .....dollars..	152,224	123,485	23
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	27,652	35,527	-22
Average per farm .....dollars..	30,090	35,351	-15
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	751	824	-9
Partnership or corporation .....	156	172	-9
Other .....	12	8	50
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	752	826	-9
Other .....	167	178	-6
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	885	980	-10
Female .....	34	24	42
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	919	1,002	-8
Black and other races .....	-	2	-100
Average age of operator .....	48.6	47.4	3

(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.