

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Oklahoma Agricultural Statistics Service



BECKHAM OKLAHOMA

Land in farms

Increased 1 percent from 493,631 acres in 1992 to 499,444 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 10 percent from 674 acres in 1992 to 605 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 8 percent from 416 farms in 1992 to 384 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

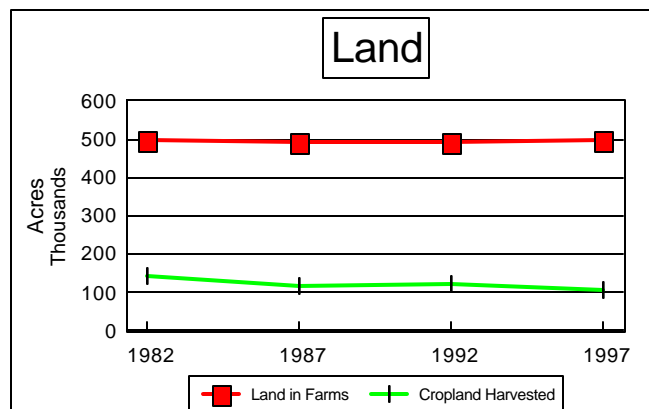
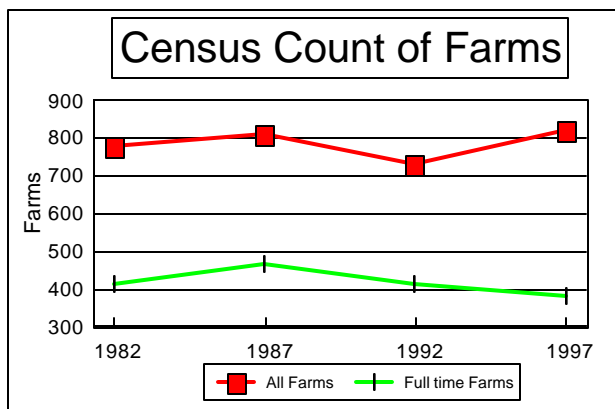
Decreased 4 percent to \$24,755,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 33 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 67 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 15 percent from \$35,219 in 1992 to \$30,007 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	24,755	51	77	1,927	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	16,547	60	77	1,419	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	8,208	38	77	1,879	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	15,135	44	77	587	3,063
Wheat	4,652	29	76	391	2,578
Cotton, cottonseed	1,132	7	29	373	709
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	982	8	56	471	2,237
Dairy products	923	37	73	1,456	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	32,730	50	77	565	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	8	64	382	2,200
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	5	46	179	1,593
All goats sold	502	5	71	185	2,686
Hogs and pigs sold	409	71	77	2,145	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	56,323	44	77	504	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	2,515	11	75	388	2,884
Rabbit inventory	(D)	3	68	68	2,456
All goat inventory	716	12	76	287	2,983
Horse and pony inventory	622	59	77	1,293	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Wheat-acres	68,368	28	76	262	2,612
Hay crops-acres	21,311	61	77	974	3,061
Cotton-acres	8,974	6	29	270	713
Rye for grain-acres	5,922	3	42	3	1,207
Sorghum for grain-acres	3,032	22	73	352	1,508

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	456	338	35
\$10,000 or more	369	394	-6
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	21,799	21,620	1
Average per farmdollars..	26,423	29,536	-11
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	2,832	4,193	-32
Average per farmdollars..	3,433	5,728	-40
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	722	654	10
Partnership or corporation	90	77	17
Other	13	1	1200
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	384	416	-8
Other	441	316	40
Operators by sex:			
Male	746	686	9
Female	79	46	72
Operators by race:			
White	817	727	12
Black and other races	8	5	60
Average age of operator	56.8	55.7	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.