

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 402,023 acres in 1992 to 401,635 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 5 percent from 221 acres in 1992 to 211 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 7 percent from 801 farms in 1992 to 858 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

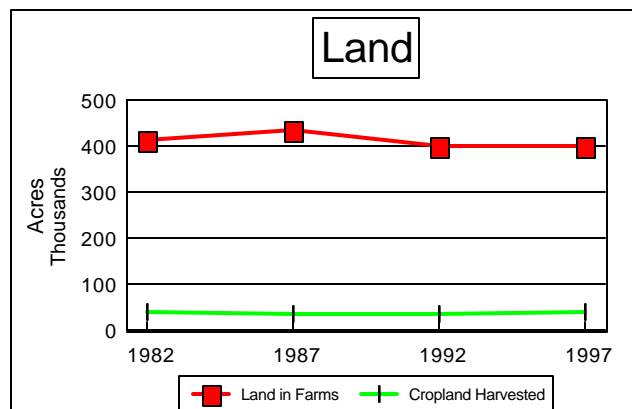
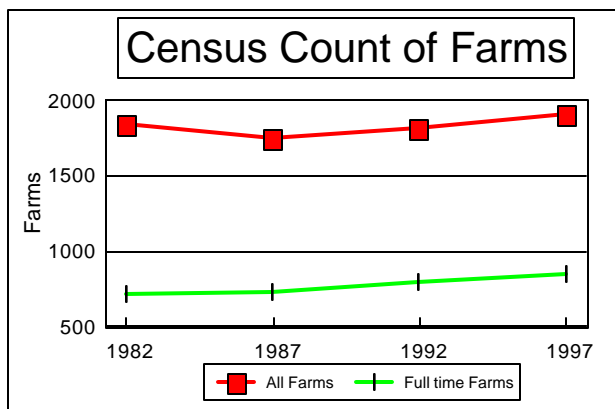
Increased 13 percent to \$35,338,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 28 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 72 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 8 percent from \$17,132 in 1992 to \$18,521 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	35,338	23	36	1,559	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	25,523	13	36	1,013	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	9,815	27	36	1,762	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	19,600	8	36	415	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	4,178	13	34	448	2,790
Sheep, lambs, and wool	2,919	4	36	45	2,787
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	2,724	21	36	259	3,043
Fruits, nuts, berries	1,961	16	34	234	2,547
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	888,092	7	25	466	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	42,694	8	36	374	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	34,430	4	36	44	2,765
Rabbits and their pelts sold	8,210	3	31	23	1,593
Hogs and pigs sold	1,526	8	36	1,660	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	58,926	8	36	475	3,064
Broiler inventory (D)		7	35	542	2,620
Sheep and lamb inventory	44,728	2	36	35	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	2,879	8	36	95	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	2,717	9	36	908	3,002
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	35,989	9	36	509	3,061
Field seeds-acres	2,361	13	27	90	1,212
Land in orchards-acres	1,494	12	34	264	2,693
All nursery-acres	1,428	13	34	200	2,619
Land used for vegetables-acres	639	14	34	588	2,741

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 .....	1,393	1,378	1
\$10,000 or more .....	515	445	16
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	28,485	29,625	-4
Average per farm .....dollars..	14,937	16,259	-8
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	5,308	(290)	1930
Average per farm .....dollars..	2,783	(159)	1850
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	1,686	1,647	2
Partnership or corporation .....	200	164	22
Other .....	22	12	83
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	858	801	7
Other .....	1,050	1,022	3
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	1,623	1,559	4
Female .....	285	264	8
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	1,887	1,795	5
Black and other races .....	21	28	-25
Average age of operator .....	56.6	55.2	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.