

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Decreased 7 percent from 1,457,339 acres in 1992 to 1,358,883 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 18 percent from 3,297 acres in 1992 to 2,696 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 18 percent from 273 farms in 1992 to 323 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

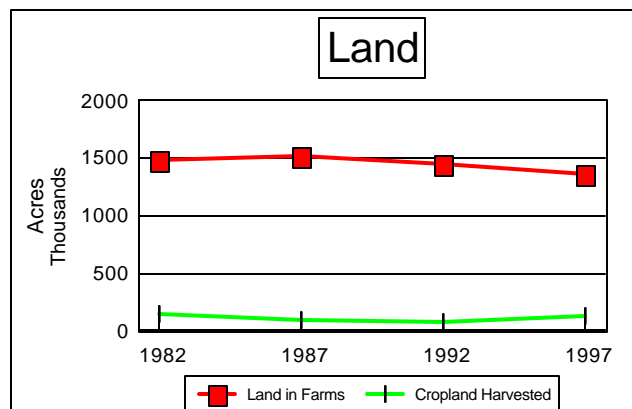
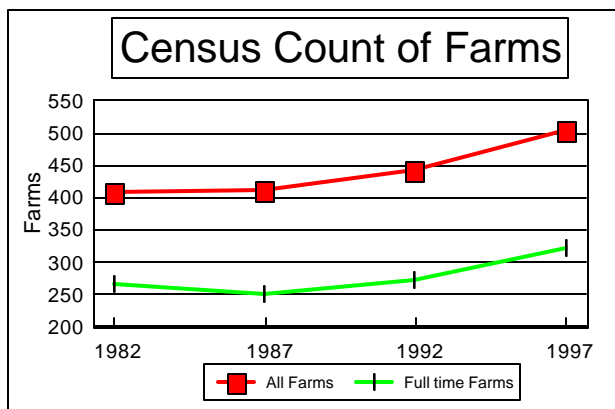
Increased 10 percent to \$38,883,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 19 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 81 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 4 percent from \$80,095 in 1992 to \$77,150 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	38,883	22	36	1,466	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	31,387	12	36	852	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	7,497	31	36	1,922	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	30,308	6	36	241	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	7,431	16	36	81	3,043
Sheep, lambs, and wool	686	7	36	161	2,787
Horses and ponies	276	17	36	558	3,015
Dairy products	84	25	33	2,284	2,563
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	71,598	4	36	171	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	8,915	7	36	141	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	270	12	36	222	3,015
Hogs and pigs sold	82	32	36	2,610	2,976
All goats sold	81	23	33	1,050	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	133,865	2	36	69	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	9,019	10	36	161	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	2,796	9	36	102	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	541	23	36	1,622	3,002
All goat inventory	283	19	35	866	2,983
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	133,916	1	36	16	3,061
Barley-acres	674	12	27	448	1,411
Field seeds-acres	(D)	17	27	241	1,212
Rye for grain-acres	(D)	1	10	139	1,207
Oats-acres	314	17	30	1,199	2,332

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 .....	203	170	19
\$10,000 or more .....	301	272	11
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	33,624	30,894	9
Average per farm .....dollars..	66,715	69,897	-5
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	5,776	6,130	-6
Average per farm .....dollars..	11,461	13,870	-17
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	375	353	6
Partnership or corporation .....	114	77	48
Other .....	15	12	25
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	323	273	18
Other .....	181	169	7
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	443	385	15
Female .....	61	57	7
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	500	431	16
Black and other races .....	4	11	-64
Average age of operator .....	53.8	53.1	1

(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.