

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Oregon Agricultural Statistics Service



MARION OREGON

Land in farms

Increased 1 percent from 302,462 acres in 1992 to 306,083 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased slightly from 121 acres in 1992 to 120 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 5 percent from 1,279 farms in 1992 to 1,210 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

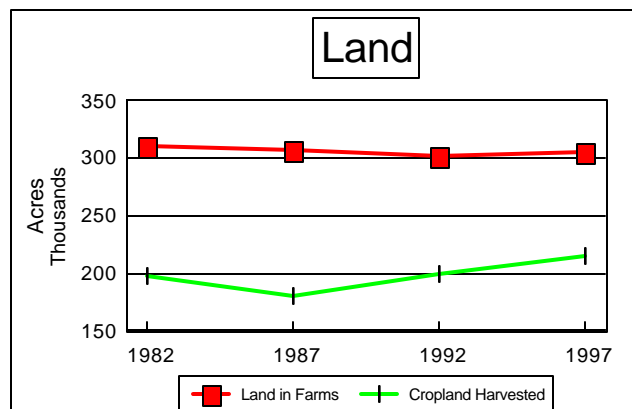
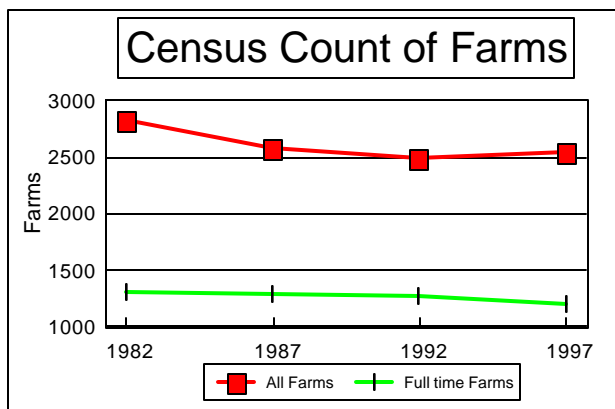
Increased 40 percent to \$438,369,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 84 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 16 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 37 percent from \$125,563 in 1992 to \$172,179 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	438,369	1	36	36	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	366,424	1	36	21	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	71,945	2	36	326	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	163,102	2	34	10	2,790
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	76,535	2	36	4	3,043
Fruits, nuts, berries	45,728	2	34	51	2,547
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	44,489	1	34	32	2,739
Dairy products	34,400	2	33	125	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	5	25	422	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	2	31	147	2,203
Mink and their pelts sold	117,370	1	6	5	191
Cattle and calves sold	21,963	15	36	897	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	8,400	2	36	1,068	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	2	36	87	3,002
Broiler inventory	(D)	2	35	257	2,620
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	2	35	64	2,549
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	1	28	162	1,790
Mink inventory	54,352	1	9	4	239
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Field seeds-acres	98,930	2	27	2	1,212
Land used for vegetables-acres	37,290	2	34	13	2,741
All nursery-acres	21,309	2	34	3	2,619
Hay crops-acres	16,985	21	36	1,195	3,061
Land in orchards-acres	10,640	3	34	77	2,693

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	1,393	1,418	-2
\$10,000 or more	1,153	1,076	7
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	313,438	244,747	28
Average per farmdollars..	123,158	98,253	25
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	124,966	66,224	89
Average per farmdollars..	49,103	26,585	85
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	2,018	2,059	-2
Partnership or corporation	506	418	21
Other	22	17	29
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	1,210	1,279	-5
Other	1,336	1,215	10
Operators by sex:			
Male	2,247	2,230	1
Female	299	264	13
Operators by race:			
White	2,521	2,464	2
Black and other races	25	30	-17
Average age of operator	53.1	51.9	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.