

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Decreased 13 percent from 487,534 acres in 1992 to 425,036 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 7 percent from 2,724 acres in 1992 to 2,530 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 14 percent from 145 farms in 1992 to 124 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

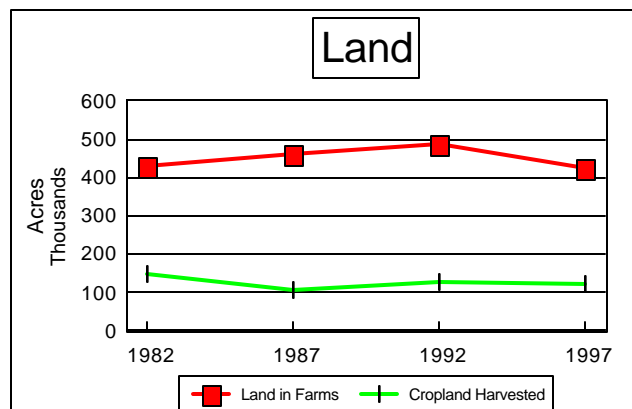
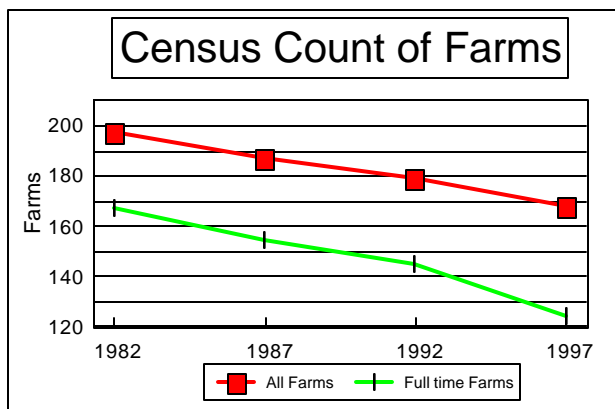
Increased 16 percent to \$23,937,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 83 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 17 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 24 percent from \$115,000 in 1992 to \$142,484 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	23,937	29	36	1,957	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	19,830	22	36	1,267	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	4,107	33	36	2,449	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Wheat	17,083	3	31	96	2,578
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	6	36	748	2,901
Barley	2,443	2	25	79	1,167
Cattle and calves	1,596	31	36	2,303	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	155	30	34	1,864	2,790
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	4	31	719	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	3,941	31	36	2,328	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	187	29	36	2,413	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	72	34	36	2,129	2,765
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	25	31	1,178	1,593
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	3	36	261	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	7,355	32	36	2,375	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	214	36	36	2,544	3,066
Hogs and pigs inventory	111	29	36	2,457	3,005
Sheep and lamb inventory	111	33	36	2,120	2,864
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Wheat-acres	99,837	3	31	194	2,612
Barley-acres	21,402	2	27	69	1,411
Hay crops-acres	339	36	36	2,984	3,061
Triticale-acres	(D)	2	7	27	135
Oats-acres	165	19	30	1,458	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 .....	48	47	2
\$10,000 or more .....	120	132	-9
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	16,811	15,321	10
Average per farm .....dollars..	100,064	85,590	17
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	6,790	5,756	18
Average per farm .....dollars..	40,418	32,156	26
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	125	124	1
Partnership or corporation .....	40	53	-25
Other .....	3	2	50
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	124	145	-14
Other .....	44	34	29
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	154	162	-5
Female .....	14	17	-18
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	168	179	-6
Black and other races .....			
Average age of operator .....	54.0	52.2	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.