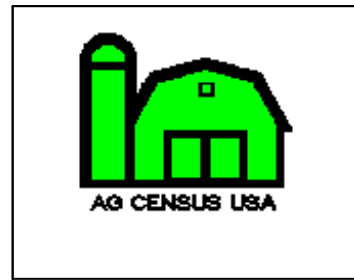


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Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 7,189,541 acres in 1992 to 7,167,906 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 1 percent from 160 acres in 1992 to 158 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 5 percent from 26,959 farms in 1992 to 25,635 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

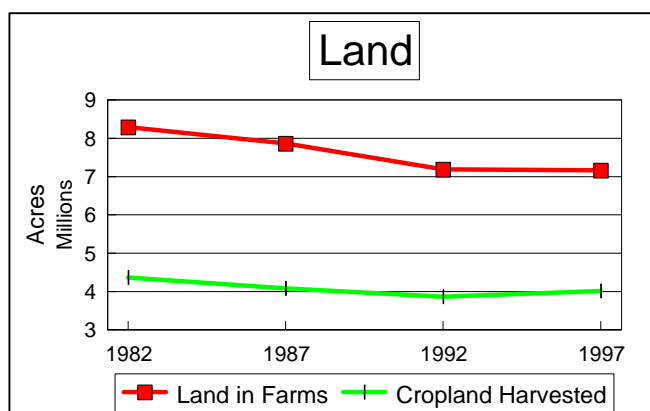
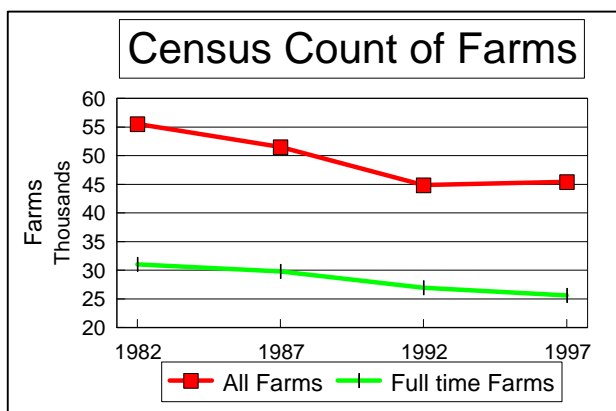
Increased 12 percent to \$3,997,565,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 32 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 68 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 11 percent from \$79,567 in 1992 to \$87,942 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	3,997,565	19	50
Value of livestock and poultry	2,715,039	14	50
Value of crops including nursery	1,282,526	26	50
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)			
Dairy products	1,320,801	4	50
Poultry & poultry products	720,263	11	50
Nursery and greenhouse crops	639,778	4	50
Cattle and calves	355,981	25	50
Hogs and pigs	235,303	12	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)			
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	118,545,429	16	50
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	27,314,917	2	50
Turkeys sold	10,701,654	10	49
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	3,275,495	6	50
Hogs and pigs sold	2,469,824	13	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)			
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	24,396,990	3	50
Broiler inventory	20,365,046	15	50
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	3,459,477	5	50
All turkeys inventory	3,286,441	10	50
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	3,250,534	6	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA			
Hay crops-acres	1,890,462	13	50
Corn for grain-acres	970,895	14	48
Corn for silage-acres	484,951	3	49
Soybeans for beans-acres	347,981	24	42
Wheat-acres	167,488	30	46

Other State Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	20,881	20,503	2
\$10,000 or more	24,576	24,367	1
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	3,091,953	2,775,313	11
Average per farmdollars..	68,061	61,859	10
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	747,503	758,341	-1
Average per farmdollars..	16,451	16,902	-3
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	40,176	39,646	1
Partnership or corporation	5,098	5,079	0
Other	183	145	26
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	25,635	26,959	-5
Other	19,822	17,911	11
Operators by sex:			
Male	42,208	42,063	0
Female	3,249	2,807	16
Operators by race:			
White	45,331	44,783	1
Black and other races	126	87	45
Average age of operator	52.7	52.2	1

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

* Universe is number of states in U.S. with item.