

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Increased 1 percent from 234,391 acres in 1992 to 237,642 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased slightly from 183 acres in 1992 to 182 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 6 percent from 907 farms in 1992 to 849 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

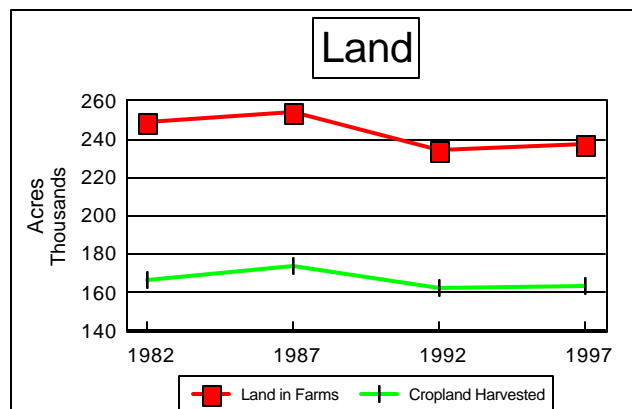
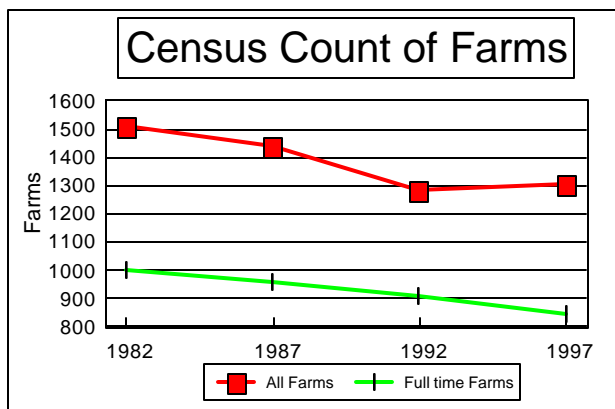
Increased 16 percent to \$194,983,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 11 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 89 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 14 percent from \$131,368 in 1992 to \$149,527 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	194,983	4	67	144	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	173,696	2	67	69	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	21,288	13	67	1,215	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Dairy products	101,034	2	67	23	2,563
Poultry & poultry products	39,653	5	66	164	2,901
Hogs and pigs	16,180	3	67	222	2,976
Cattle and calves	14,838	4	67	609	3,063
Fruits, nuts, berries	6,129	3	66	140	2,547
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	3,349,391	9	53	317	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	1,605,897	4	62	46	2,203
Turkeys sold	1,308,825	2	52	66	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	194,656	3	67	176	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	42,435	3	67	379	3,063
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,434,237	6	66	51	3,002
All turkeys inventory	473,741	2	63	63	2,361
Broiler inventory	384,543	12	62	362	2,620
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	341,615	3	63	37	2,549
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	146,100	7	51	104	1,790
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	67,279	4	66	136	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	43,793	2	66	6	2,473
Corn for grain-acres	29,916	8	66	678	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	14,022	8	58	905	2,144
Wheat-acres	8,391	5	61	840	2,612

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 .....	431	381	13
\$10,000 or more .....	873	902	-3
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	149,239	124,249	20
Average per farm .....dollars..	114,447	96,918	18
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	42,427	42,979	-1
Average per farm .....dollars..	32,536	33,525	-3
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	1,128	1,111	2
Partnership or corporation .....	171	168	2
Other .....	5	4	25
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	849	907	-6
Other .....	455	376	21
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	1,254	1,234	2
Female .....	50	49	2
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	1,299	1,282	1
Black and other races .....	5	1	400
Average age of operator .....	50.1	50.6	-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.