

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Pennsylvania Agricultural Statistics Service



ARMSTRONG PENNSYLVANIA

Land in farms

Increased slightly from 119,566 acres in 1992 to 119,597 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 2 percent from 179 acres in 1992 to 183 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 11 percent from 332 farms in 1992 to 297 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

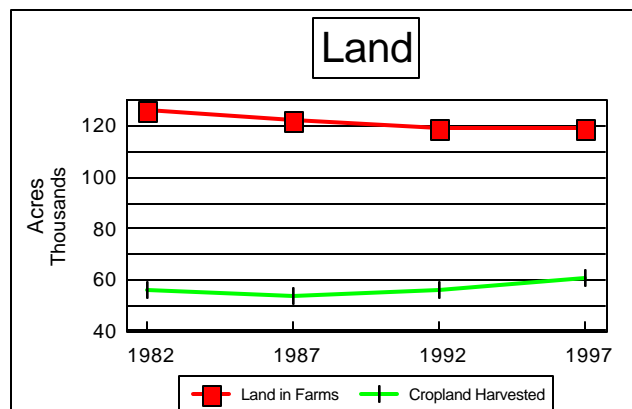
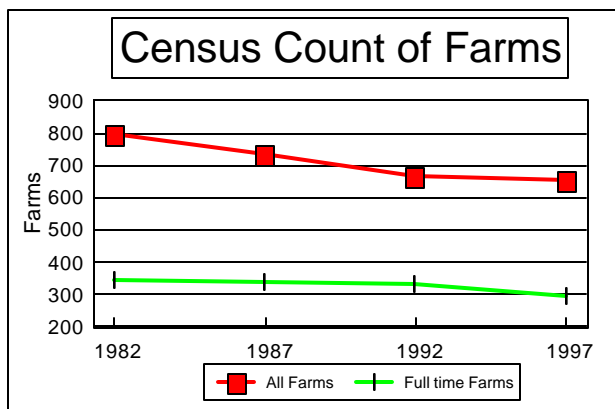
Decreased 40 percent to \$40,773,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 70 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 30 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 39 percent from \$101,849 in 1992 to \$62,344 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	40,773	32	67	1,415	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	28,444	9	67	980	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	12,329	45	67	1,681	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	5	66	84	2,790
Dairy products	8,188	39	67	439	2,563
Cattle and calves	3,257	35	67	1,799	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	2,511	14	66	289	3,043
Corn for grain	1,348	40	66	1,236	2,582
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	70,011	11	59	82	2,200
Cattle and calves sold	7,102	38	67	1,881	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	2,596	42	67	1,466	2,976
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	41	62	962	2,203
Sheep and lambs sold	633	32	65	1,105	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	16,204	35	67	1,745	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	15	65	190	2,884
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	6,585	39	66	835	3,002
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	16	63	425	2,549
Hogs and pigs inventory	1,892	38	67	1,375	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	35,865	18	66	513	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	11,808	34	66	1,019	2,691
Oats-acres	5,060	7	63	126	2,332
Corn for silage-acres	4,132	34	66	373	2,473
All nursery-acres	2,015	8	65	135	2,619

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	412	430	-4
\$10,000 or more	242	237	2
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	34,523	65,320	-47
Average per farmdollars..	52,788	97,931	-46
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	5,032	2,728	84
Average per farmdollars..	7,694	4,090	88
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	588	591	-1
Partnership or corporation	64	71	-10
Other	2	5	-60
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	297	332	-11
Other	357	335	7
Operators by sex:			
Male	610	630	-3
Female	44	37	19
Operators by race:			
White	652	667	-2
Black and other races	2	-	
Average age of operator	55.1	55.0	0

(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.