

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Pennsylvania Agricultural Statistics Service



JEFFERSON PENNSYLVANIA

Land in farms

Increased slightly from 79,310 acres in 1992 to 79,973 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 5 percent from 193 acres in 1992 to 183 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 3 percent from 192 farms in 1992 to 197 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

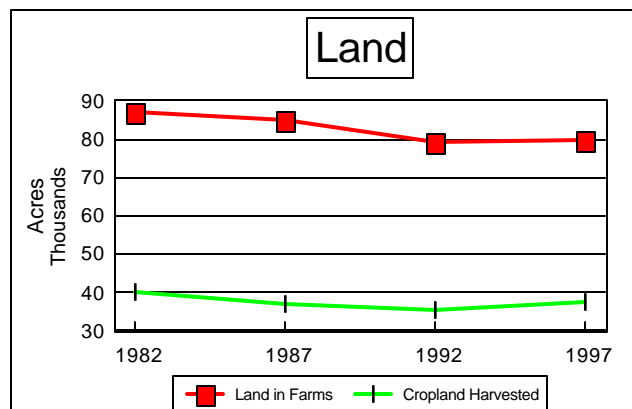
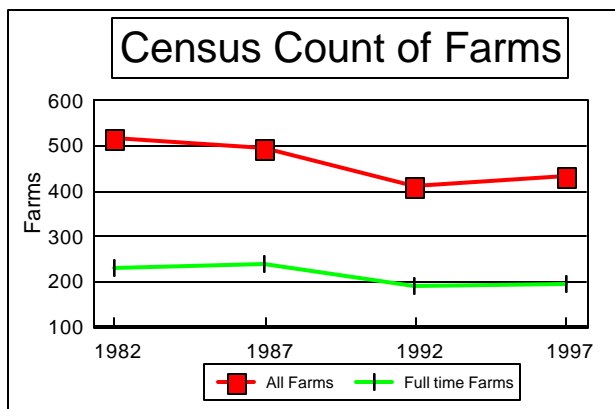
Increased 6 percent to \$15,820,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 44 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 56 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased slightly from \$36,234 in 1992 to \$36,285 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	15,820	50	67	2,266	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	8,925	49	67	1,949	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	6,896	39	67	1,961	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	6,670	46	67	519	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	4,469	22	66	430	2,790
Cattle and calves	1,690	47	67	2,272	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	1,073	44	66	870	3,043
Corn for grain	785	45	66	1,414	2,582
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	40	62	901	2,203
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	19	59	393	2,200
Cattle and calves sold	4,532	45	67	2,236	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	989	49	67	1,820	2,976
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	12	58	212	1,593
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	12,098	43	67	1,972	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	35	66	799	3,002
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	909	31	65	735	2,884
Sheep and lamb inventory	(D)	34	65	1,060	2,864
Hogs and pigs inventory	530	50	67	1,856	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	25,822	30	66	793	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	5,858	44	66	1,256	2,691
Corn for silage-acres	2,706	43	66	540	2,473
Oats-acres	2,671	21	63	255	2,332
All nursery-acres	596	32	65	463	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	285	252	13
\$10,000 or more	151	158	-4
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	10,428	11,196	-7
Average per farmdollars..	23,972	27,307	-12
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	3,338	3,077	8
Average per farmdollars..	7,673	7,504	2
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	392	370	6
Partnership or corporation	42	40	5
Other	2	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	197	192	3
Other	239	218	10
Operators by sex:			
Male	408	388	5
Female	28	22	27
Operators by race:			
White	436	410	6
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	55.1	54.3	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.