

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Pennsylvania Agricultural Statistics Service



MONTOUR PENNSYLVANIA

Land in farms

Decreased 3 percent from 41,347 acres in 1992 to 39,957 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 7 percent from 166 acres in 1992 to 154 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased slightly from 144 farms in 1992 to 145 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

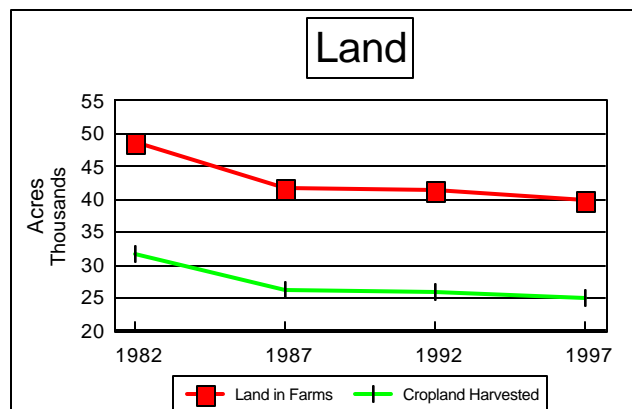
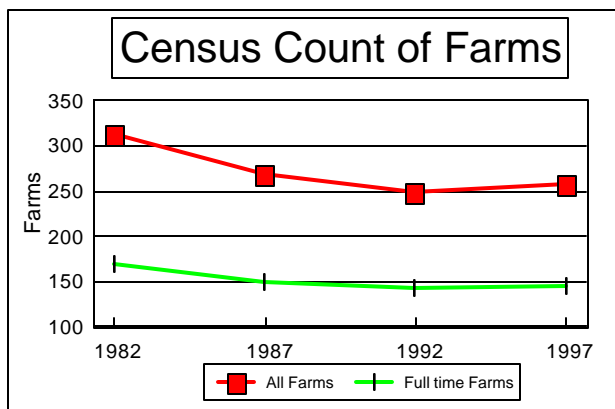
Increased 109 percent to \$26,389,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 68 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 32 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 101 percent from \$50,717 in 1992 to \$101,890 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	26,389	40	67	1,873	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	18,001	18	67	1,344	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	8,389	50	67	2,004	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	8	66	156	2,790
Dairy products	3,939	52	67	739	2,563
Cattle and calves	2,351	42	67	2,047	3,063
Corn for grain	1,885	33	66	1,135	2,582
Poultry & poultry products	1,544	25	66	865	2,901
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	282,757	18	53	560	1,882
Turkeys sold	(D)	21	52	319	1,353
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	24	62	685	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	6,762	32	67	1,133	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	4,759	44	67	2,202	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	(D)	17	62	552	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	25	66	619	3,002
All turkeys inventory	(D)	20	63	327	2,361
Cattle and calves inventory	5,979	54	67	2,484	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	2,170	37	67	1,315	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	8,420	37	66	1,135	2,691
Hay crops-acres	7,231	59	66	1,996	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	5,210	23	58	1,196	2,144
Wheat-acres	1,583	29	61	1,516	2,612
Oats-acres	1,401	39	63	499	2,332

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	123	102	21
\$10,000 or more	136	147	-7
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	19,885	9,192	116
Average per farmdollars..	77,073	37,063	108
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	5,436	2,591	110
Average per farmdollars..	21,070	10,447	102
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	238	229	4
Partnership or corporation	21	20	5
Other			
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	145	144	1
Other	114	105	9
Operators by sex:			
Male	244	237	3
Female	15	12	25
Operators by race:			
White	258	249	4
Black and other races	1	-	
Average age of operator	54.2	51.2	6

(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.