

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Pennsylvania Agricultural Statistics Service



SNYDER PENNSYLVANIA

Land in farms

Increased 6 percent from 87,253 acres in 1992 to 92,751 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 5 percent from 131 acres in 1992 to 138 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 4 percent from 435 farms in 1992 to 416 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

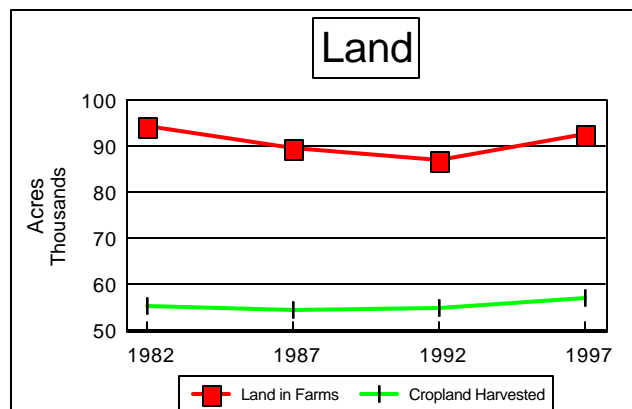
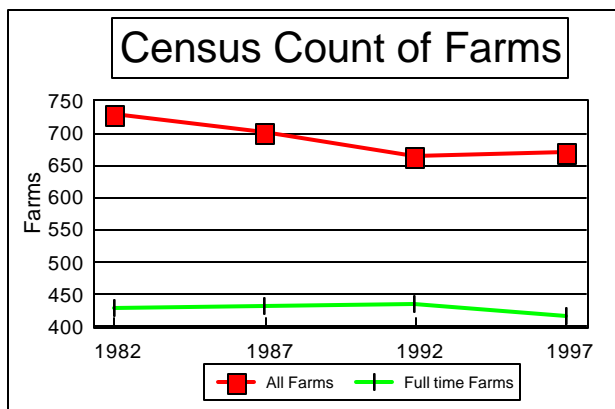
Increased 35 percent to \$74,867,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 12 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 88 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 33 percent from \$83,708 in 1992 to \$111,575 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	74,867	10	67	764	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	65,514	9	67	355	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	9,352	31	67	1,802	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	26,234	9	66	228	2,901
Dairy products	17,775	23	67	233	2,563
Hogs and pigs	15,416	4	67	236	2,976
Cattle and calves	6,011	16	67	1,306	3,063
Corn for grain	2,998	21	66	973	2,582
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	6,736,281	5	53	228	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (D)		11	62	154	2,203
Turkeys sold	406,904	7	52	134	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	142,512	4	67	242	2,976
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	130,890	6	59	45	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	1,310,258	5	62	211	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	405,988	11	66	186	3,002
All turkeys inventory	137,651	7	63	137	2,361
Hogs and pigs inventory	66,309	4	67	247	3,005
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory (D)		8	63	200	2,549
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	21,594	35	66	958	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	17,041	21	66	875	2,691
Corn for silage-acres	6,866	21	66	203	2,473
Soybeans for beans-acres	5,984	21	58	1,155	2,144
Oats-acres	3,252	17	63	212	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	220	228	-4
\$10,000 or more	451	436	3
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	58,880	42,099	40
Average per farmdollars..	87,880	63,307	39
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	12,223	12,370	-1
Average per farmdollars..	18,243	18,602	-2
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	617	601	3
Partnership or corporation	52	60	-13
Other	2	3	-33
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	416	435	-4
Other	255	229	11
Operators by sex:			
Male	647	644	0
Female	24	20	20
Operators by race:			
White	670	664	1
Black and other races	1	-	
Average age of operator	49.0	48.8	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.