

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Pennsylvania Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased 10 percent from 76,466 acres in 1992 to 83,813 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 8 percent from 184 acres in 1992 to 199 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 4 percent from 302 farms in 1992 to 289 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

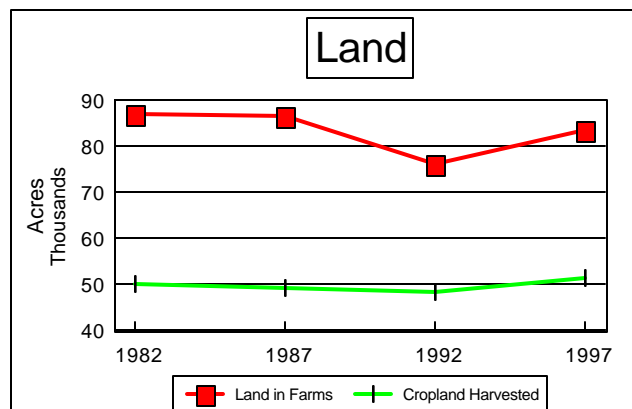
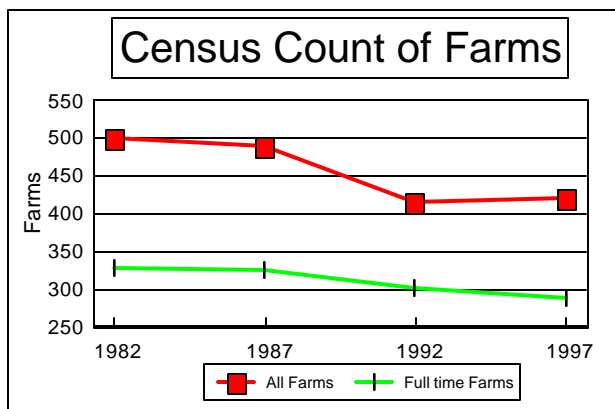
Increased 22 percent to \$51,001,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 14 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 86 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 20 percent from \$100,490 in 1992 to \$120,855 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	51,001	23	67	1,179	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	43,919	18	67	609	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	7,082	37	67	1,951	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	37,012	10	67	115	2,563
Cattle and calves	3,951	28	67	1,648	3,063
Corn for grain	1,560	37	66	1,192	2,582
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1,510	38	66	803	2,790
Hogs and pigs	1,428	23	67	915	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	22	62	593	2,203
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	46,328	15	59	111	2,200
Turkeys sold	(D)	22	52	327	1,353
Hogs and pigs sold	12,518	25	67	959	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	11,694	21	67	1,471	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	23	66	536	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	31,636	17	67	1,071	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	21,173	9	65	92	2,884
Hogs and pigs inventory	7,464	24	67	912	3,005
All turkeys inventory	(D)	22	63	351	2,361
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	25,760	31	66	796	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	13,543	11	66	75	2,473
Corn for grain-acres	10,191	35	66	1,079	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	2,493	29	58	1,359	2,144
Oats-acres	946	45	63	671	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	147	136	8
\$10,000 or more	275	279	-1
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	35,440	30,985	14
Average per farmdollars..	83,981	74,842	12
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	11,987	11,321	6
Average per farmdollars..	28,406	27,346	4
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	365	349	5
Partnership or corporation	57	64	-11
Other	-	2	-100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	289	302	-4
Other	133	113	18
Operators by sex:			
Male	400	396	1
Female	22	19	16
Operators by race:			
White	422	415	2
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	51.3	51.6	-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.