

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
South Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 6 percent from 1,701,991 acres in 1992 to 1,604,504 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased slightly from 3,782 acres in 1992 to 3,775 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 11 percent from 379 farms in 1992 to 339 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

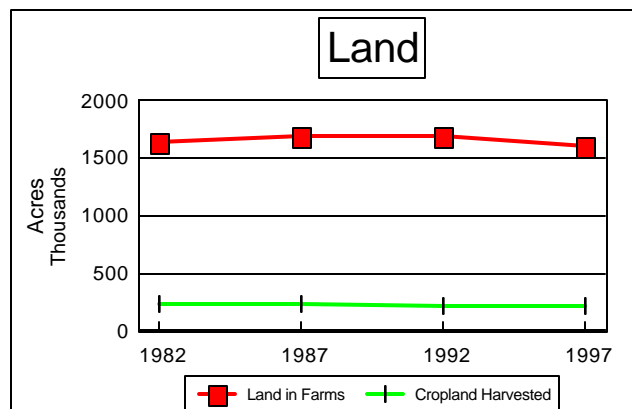
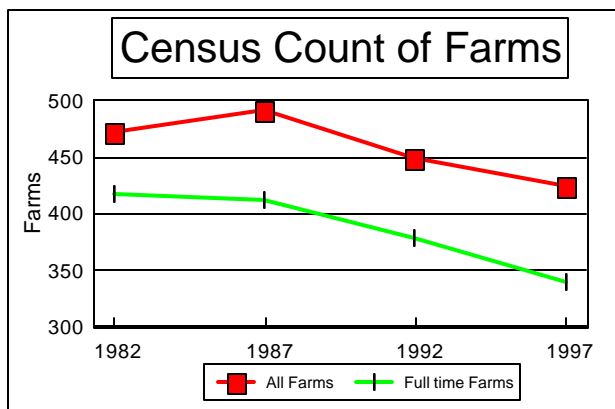
Decreased 18 percent to \$30,558,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 32 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 68 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 13 percent from \$82,701 in 1992 to \$71,901 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	30,558	51	66	1,703	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	20,757	43	66	1,210	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	9,801	52	66	1,763	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	19,081	31	66	434	3,063
Wheat	7,090	14	66	284	2,578
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	1,255	28	66	719	3,043
Dairy products	784	43	62	1,530	2,563
Corn for grain	498	55	65	1,568	2,582
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	41,284	22	66	399	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	4,004	48	66	1,312	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	3,751	32	65	301	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	78	28	66	1,190	3,015
All goats sold	(D)	11	45	1,258	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	68,794	18	66	342	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	4,476	25	65	280	2,864
Hogs and pigs inventory	2,139	47	66	1,322	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	885	18	66	875	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	243	47	65	2,209	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	99,592	6	66	42	3,061
Wheat-acres	96,610	9	66	200	2,612
Oats-acres	9,459	4	66	36	2,332
Corn for grain-acres	5,985	52	65	1,243	2,691
Sunflower seed-acres	4,175	28	55	99	674

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	83	83	
\$10,000 or more	342	367	-7
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	22,912	29,037	-21
Average per farmdollars..	53,909	64,526	-16
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	7,434	8,724	-15
Average per farmdollars..	17,491	19,388	-10
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	382	391	-2
Partnership or corporation	37	50	-26
Other	6	9	-33
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	339	379	-11
Other	86	71	21
Operators by sex:			
Male	408	432	-6
Female	17	18	-6
Operators by race:			
White	393	424	-7
Black and other races	32	26	23
Average age of operator	53.0	53.2	-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.