

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Decreased 2 percent from 252,419 acres in 1992 to 246,947 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 10 percent from 571 acres in 1992 to 630 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 17 percent from 384 farms in 1992 to 317 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

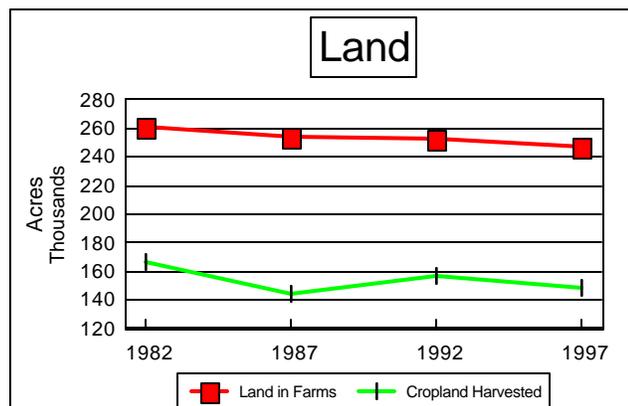
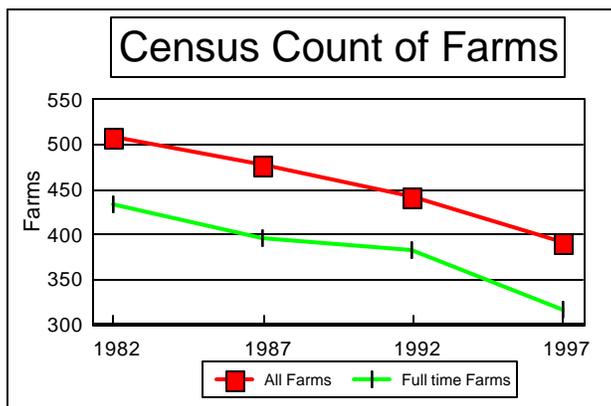
Increased 35 percent to \$54,808,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 36 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 64 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 53 percent from \$91,672 in 1992 to \$139,817 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	54,808	28	66	1,088	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	35,306	23	66	761	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	19,502	37	66	1,280	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	13,753	3	66	259	2,976
Cattle and calves	9,878	58	66	901	3,063
Soybeans	8,089	29	60	611	2,136
Corn for grain	7,975	29	65	639	2,582
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	6	62	579	2,901
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	141,509	2	66	244	2,976
Mink and their pelts sold	(D)	1	5	16	191
Cattle and calves sold	18,030	61	66	1,088	3,063
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	8	38	740	1,882
Sheep and lambs sold	5,090	20	65	235	2,765
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	2	65	179	3,002
Hogs and pigs inventory	57,151	6	66	274	3,005
All turkeys inventory	(D)	11	48	245	2,361
Cattle and calves inventory	33,639	56	66	1,006	3,064
Mink inventory	(D)	1	8	35	239
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	53,321	29	65	485	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	41,477	29	60	581	2,144
Hay crops-acres	32,368	50	66	609	3,061
Wheat-acres	11,156	50	66	727	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	4,813	31	66	320	2,473

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	45	71	-37
\$10,000 or more .....	347	371	-6
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	42,197	32,281	31
Average per farm .....dollars..	107,646	73,035	47
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	13,826	7,550	83
Average per farm .....dollars..	35,269	17,082	106
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	361	409	-12
Partnership or corporation .....	30	33	-9
Other .....	1	-	-
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	317	384	-17
Other .....	75	58	29
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	382	424	-10
Female .....	10	18	-44
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	392	441	-11
Black and other races .....	-	1	-100
Average age of operator .....	48.8	48.8	

(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.