

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
South Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service



MCPHERSON SOUTH DAKOTA

Land in farms

Decreased 14 percent from 661,474 acres in 1992 to 569,047 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased slightly from 1,426 acres in 1992 to 1,433 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 16 percent from 383 farms in 1992 to 320 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

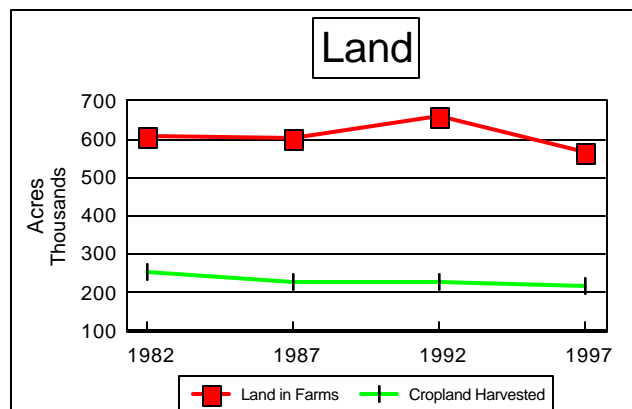
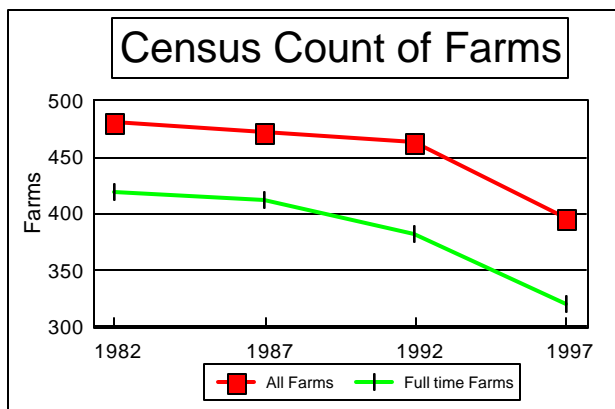
Increased 18 percent to \$56,423,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 18 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 82 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 38 percent from \$103,002 in 1992 to \$142,123 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 | 56,423 | 26 | 66 | 1,056 | 3,076 |
| Value of livestock and poultry | 46,130 | 8 | 66 | 571 | 3,069 |
| Value of crops including nursery | 10,293 | 49 | 66 | 1,734 | 3,070 |
| TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves | 25,966 | 15 | 66 | 291 | 3,063 |
| Poultry & poultry products | 11,507 | 2 | 62 | 405 | 2,901 |
| Hogs and pigs | 5,878 | 22 | 66 | 478 | 2,976 |
| Wheat | 5,291 | 24 | 66 | 348 | 2,578 |
| Dairy products | 2,226 | 24 | 62 | 1,003 | 2,563 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number) | | | | | |
| Turkeys sold | 794,504 | 1 | 29 | 93 | 1,353 |
| Cattle and calves sold | 50,000 | 13 | 66 | 290 | 3,063 |
| Hogs and pigs sold | 46,294 | 23 | 66 | 550 | 2,976 |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold | (D) | 3 | 38 | 661 | 1,882 |
| Sheep and lambs sold | 1,593 | 46 | 65 | 567 | 2,765 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number) | | | | | |
| All turkeys inventory | 276,003 | 1 | 48 | 93 | 2,361 |
| Cattle and calves inventory | 71,202 | 13 | 66 | 310 | 3,064 |
| Hogs and pigs inventory | 30,440 | 20 | 66 | 444 | 3,005 |
| Broiler inventory | (D) | 4 | 60 | 637 | 2,620 |
| Colony of bees inventory | (D) | 10 | 56 | 73 | 2,588 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA | | | | | |
| Hay crops-acres | 88,838 | 10 | 66 | 58 | 3,061 |
| Wheat-acres | 69,373 | 20 | 66 | 259 | 2,612 |
| Oats-acres | 16,213 | 1 | 66 | 10 | 2,332 |
| Sunflower seed-acres | 14,355 | 16 | 55 | 49 | 674 |
| Corn for silage-acres | 11,356 | 3 | 66 | 102 | 2,473 |

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 | 94 | 88 | 7 |
| \$10,000 or more | 303 | 376 | -19 |
| Total farm production expenses\$1,000.. | 47,914 | 35,953 | 33 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 120,690 | 77,318 | 56 |
| Net cash return from agricultural sales | | | |
| for the farm unit\$1,000.. | 10,058 | 9,784 | 3 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 25,335 | 21,041 | 20 |
| Farms by type of organization: | | | |
| Individual or family | 339 | 397 | -15 |
| Partnership or corporation | 53 | 62 | -15 |
| Other | 5 | 5 | |
| OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS | | | |
| Operators by principal occupation: | | | |
| Farming | 320 | 383 | -16 |
| Other | 77 | 81 | -5 |
| Operators by sex: | | | |
| Male | 389 | 448 | -13 |
| Female | 8 | 16 | -50 |
| Operators by race: | | | |
| White | 396 | 464 | -15 |
| Black and other races | 1 | - | |
| Average age of operator | 52.8 | 51.0 | 4 |

(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.