# **1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile**

**United States Department of Agriculture South Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service** 



# BUTTE SOUTH DAKOTA

Land in farms

Decreased 6 percent from 1,243,168 acres in 1992 to 1,165,934 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 7 percent from 2,298 acres in 1992 to 2,132 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 13 percent from 371 farms in 1992 to 324 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

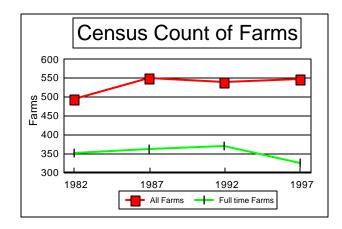
Increased 4 percent to \$41,119,000 in 1997.

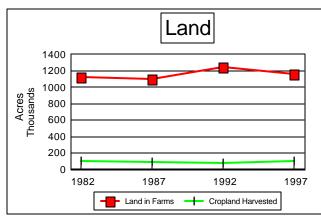
Crop sales accounted for 14 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 86 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 3 percent from \$72,933 in 1992 to \$75,171 in 1997.





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Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

		2	State	U.	s.
Item	Quantity	Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	41,119	42	66	1,404	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	35,430	22	66	759	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	5,689	59	66	2,063	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	22,498	21	66	348	3,063
Dairy products	6,414	9	62	532	2,563
Sheep, lambs, and wool	5,438	1	65	10	2,787
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	2,772	5	66	252	3,043
Wheat	1,382	49	66	787	2,578
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Sheep and lambs sold	58,817	1	65	12	2,765
Cattle and calves sold	46,132	16	66	337	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	12	47	392	2,200
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	1	22	110	1,593
Hogs and pigs sold	1,967	57	66	1,561	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Sheep and lamb inventory	73,479	1	65	10	2,864
Cattle and calves inventory	60,358	28	66	448	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	5,748	14	56	88	2,588
Hogs and pigs inventory	1,377	55	66	1,479	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	1,304	10	66	497	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	70,272	18	66	117	3,061
Wheat-acres	20,755	38	66	523	2,612
Corn for grain-acres	5,131	53	65	1,305	2,691
Corn for silage-acres	2,900	44	66	504	2,473
Oats-acres	2,383	44	66	297	2,332

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

			Percent	
Item	1997	1992	Change	
Farms by value of sales:				
Less than \$10,000	188	164	15	
\$10,000 or more	359	377	-5	
Total farm production expenses\$1,000	35,668	31,990	11	
Average per farmdollars	65,207	59,022	10	
Net cash return from agricultural sales				
for the farm unit\$1,000	7,038	7,277	-3	
Average per farmdollars	12,867	13,427	-4	
Farms by type of organization:				
Individual or family	465	458	2	
Partnership or corporation	78	76	3	
Other	4	7	-43	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS				
Operators by principal occupation:				
Farming	324	371	-13	
Other	223	170	31	
Operators by sex:				
Male	501	494	1	
Female	46	47	-2	
Operators by race:				
White	547	540	1	
Black and other races	-	1	-100	
Average age of operator	52.2	52.0	0	

<sup>(</sup>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.