

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
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### Land in farms

Increased 3 percent from 144,267 acres in 1992 to 148,565 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 6 percent from 143 acres in 1992 to 134 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 6 percent from 368 farms in 1992 to 391 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

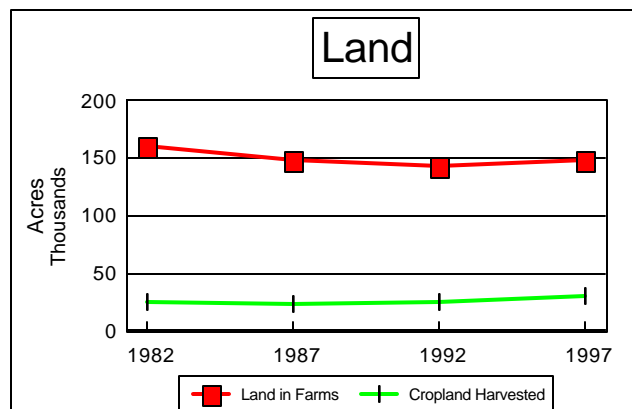
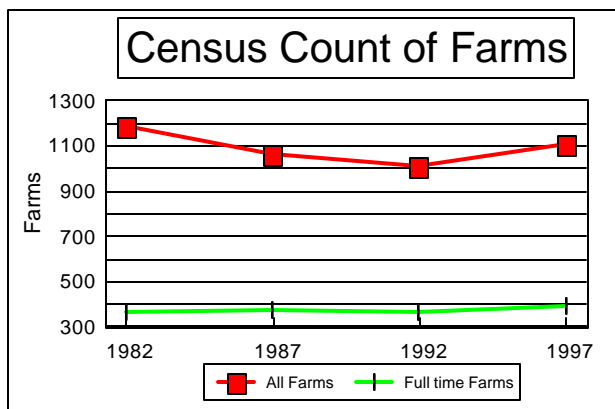
Increased 5 percent to \$12,068,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 42 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 58 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 4 percent from \$11,318 in 1992 to \$10,911 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	12,068	57	95	2,416	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	7,054	47	95	2,128	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	5,013	50	95	2,124	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	5,787	25	95	1,350	3,063
Tobacco	3,799	14	75	186	580
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	653	19	95	1,362	3,043
Dairy products	(D)	58	84	1,772	2,563
Hogs and pigs	399	30	94	1,308	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	15,289	25	95	1,228	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	4,636	6	75	407	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	3,975	32	94	1,315	2,976
All goats sold	332	24	92	301	2,686
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	327	30	54	1,151	1,882
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	28,271	29	95	1,194	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	4,795	5	94	256	2,884
Hogs and pigs inventory	2,029	32	94	1,343	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,464	24	94	1,039	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	1,126	27	95	624	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	28,455	16	95	716	3,061
Tobacco-acres	1,041	17	75	195	583
Corn for grain-acres	838	63	95	1,913	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	525	65	83	1,711	2,144
Wheat-acres	172	62	87	2,183	2,612

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 .....	810	762	6
\$10,000 or more .....	296	250	18
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	11,705	8,839	32
Average per farm .....dollars..	10,584	8,735	21
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	204	1,962	-90
Average per farm .....dollars..	185	1,938	-90
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	1,046	920	14
Partnership or corporation .....	59	86	-31
Other .....	1	6	-83
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	391	368	6
Other .....	715	644	11
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	1,030	946	9
Female .....	76	66	15
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	1,093	1,001	9
Black and other races .....	13	11	18
Average age of operator .....	54.8	55.7	-2

(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.