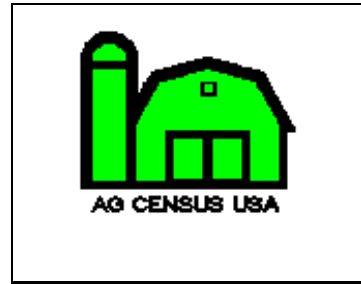


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Land in farms

Increased slightly from 73,654 acres in 1992 to 73,976 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 6 percent from 103 acres in 1992 to 97 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

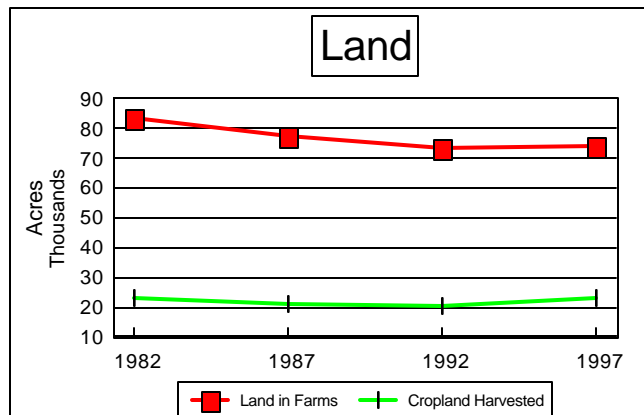
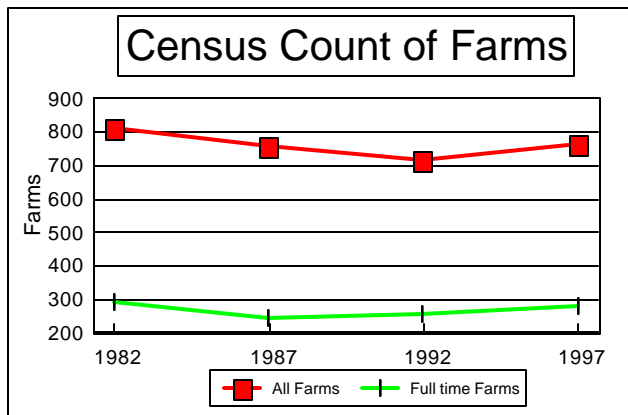
Increased 11 percent from 256 farms in 1992 to 283 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

Increased 17 percent to \$45,067,000 in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 10 percent from \$53,910 in 1992 to \$59,065 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	45,067	16	95	1,312	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	(D)	12	95	889	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	(D)	30	95	1,636	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	2	93	64	2,790
Dairy products	8,205	7	84	438	2,563
Cattle and calves	4,413	41	95	1,557	3,063
Tobacco	697	42	75	326	580
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	408	35	95	1,798	3,043
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	11,550	42	95	1,485	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	7	75	429	2,200
Sheep and lambs sold	211	21	88	1,699	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	192	15	95	377	3,015
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	86	94	2,625	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	26,892	31	95	1,239	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	1,161	26	95	589	3,066
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	666	28	94	874	2,884
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	481	51	94	1,718	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	295	15	91	1,678	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	19,837	35	95	1,044	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	2,021	11	88	683	2,473
Soybeans for beans-acres	805	58	83	1,622	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	759	67	95	1,937	2,691
Tobacco-acres	277	41	75	316	583

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	602	526	14
\$10,000 or more	161	189	-15
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	29,793	30,342	-2
Average per farmdollars..	39,099	42,436	-8
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	13,596	7,760	75
Average per farmdollars..	17,843	10,853	64
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	672	631	6
Partnership or corporation	89	80	11
Other	2	4	-50
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	283	256	11
Other	480	459	5
Operators by sex:			
Male	688	649	6
Female	75	66	14
Operators by race:			
White	762	715	7
Black and other races	1	-	
Average age of operator	56.5	54.9	3

(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.