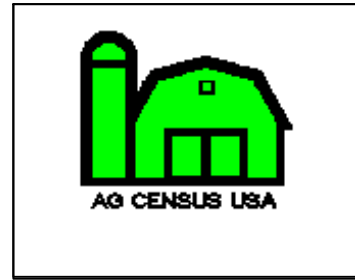


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### Land in farms

Increased 2 percent from 487,573 acres in 1992 to 495,873 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 2 percent from 1,741 acres in 1992 to 1,704 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 4 percent from 152 farms in 1992 to 158 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

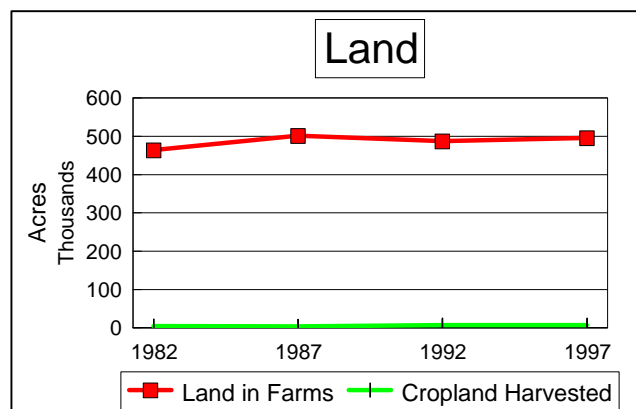
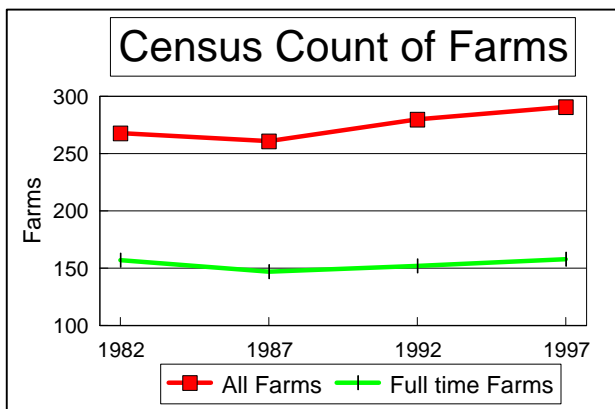
Decreased 13 percent to \$12,856,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 6 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 94 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 16 percent from \$52,564 in 1992 to \$44,177 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	12,856	194	254	2,390	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	12,079	150	254	1,705	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	777	222	252	2,786	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Sheep, lambs, and wool	7,361	3	238	7	2,787
Cattle and calves	4,076	207	254	1,613	3,063
Fruits, nuts, berries	389	28	212	515	2,547
Goats other than milk and angora	362	4	242	4	2,527
Wheat	(D)	128	211	1,502	2,578
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Sheep and lambs sold	70,943	4	235	9	2,765
All goats sold	12,190	12	243	12	2,686
Cattle and calves sold	9,797	211	254	1,625	3,063
Horses and ponies sold	15	227	254	2,591	3,015
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Sheep and lamb inventory	62,728	7	244	19	2,864
All goat inventory	27,898	13	247	13	2,983
Cattle and calves inventory	20,195	200	254	1,529	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	335	196	254	2,102	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	60	206	245	2,771	3,002
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Wheat-acres	2,446	126	211	1,352	2,612
Hay crops-acres	2,330	217	253	2,658	3,061
Land in orchards-acres	2,128	27	236	207	2,693
Oats-acres	182	104	185	1,424	2,332
Sorghum for silage-acres	(D)	124	165	706	1,323

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 .....	148	146	1
\$10,000 or more .....	143	134	7
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	11,576	14,375	-19
Average per farm .....dollars..	39,780	51,341	-23
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	613	990	-38
Average per farm .....dollars..	2,108	3,536	-40
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	243	238	2
Partnership or corporation .....	46	39	18
Other .....	2	3	-33
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	158	152	4
Other .....	133	128	4
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	247	243	2
Female .....	44	37	19
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	290	278	4
Black and other races .....	1	2	-50
Average age of operator .....	58.4	59.3	-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.