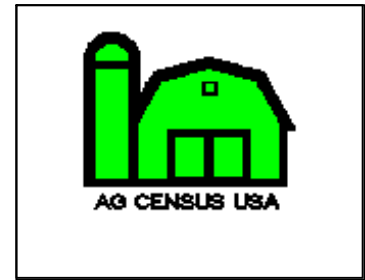


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### Land in farms

Increased 12 percent from 329,288 acres in 1992 to 368,528 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 12 percent from 364 acres in 1992 to 409 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 15 percent from 510 farms in 1992 to 434 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

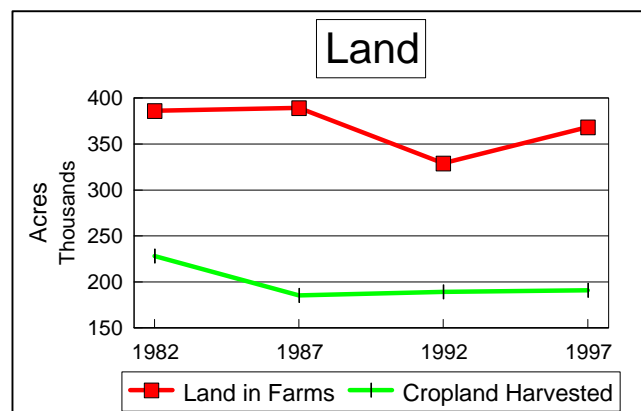
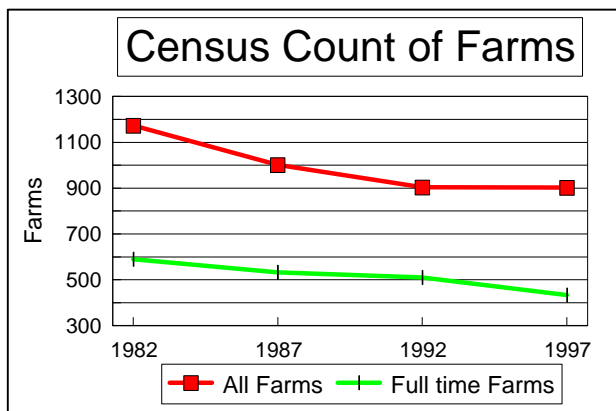
Decreased 3 percent to \$79,414,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 88 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 12 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 3 percent from \$90,896 in 1992 to \$88,042 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	79,414	38	254	714	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	69,651	14	252	318	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	9,762	166	254	1,875	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cotton, cottonseed	17,978	26	177	85	709
Nursery and greenhouse crops	16,209	8	189	135	2,790
Grain sorghum	11,163	6	208	14	1,275
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	8,724	5	206	122	2,739
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	6,299	11	172	196	2,237
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	11,147	201	254	1,517	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	537	115	242	2,034	2,976
All goats sold	186	147	243	511	2,686
Horses and ponies sold	77	124	254	1,208	3,015
Sheep and lambs sold	42	185	235	2,331	2,765
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	16,721	217	254	1,711	3,064
All goat inventory	628	127	247	348	2,983
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	594	97	245	1,546	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	581	143	254	1,395	3,066
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	507	121	223	1,011	2,884
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Sorghum for grain-acres	90,570	5	219	6	1,508
Cotton-acres	51,952	32	178	70	713
Corn for grain-acres	14,023	35	178	939	2,691
Sugarcane, sugar-acres	9,726	2	3	20	55
Hay crops-acres	6,189	168	253	2,128	3,061

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 .....	535	517	3
\$10,000 or more .....	367	387	-5
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	56,335	70,928	-21
Average per farm .....dollars..	62,525	78,460	-20
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	20,171	10,451	93
Average per farm .....dollars..	22,387	11,561	94
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	734	722	2
Partnership or corporation .....	155	177	-12
Other .....	13	5	160
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	434	510	-15
Other .....	468	394	19
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	831	831	
Female .....	71	73	-3
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	711	771	-8
Black and other races .....	191	133	44
Average age of operator .....	55.8	54.2	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.