

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Utah Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased 75 percent from 1,294,703 acres in 1992 to 2,268,090 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 58 percent from 1,808 acres in 1992 to 2,853 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 7 percent from 338 farms in 1992 to 314 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

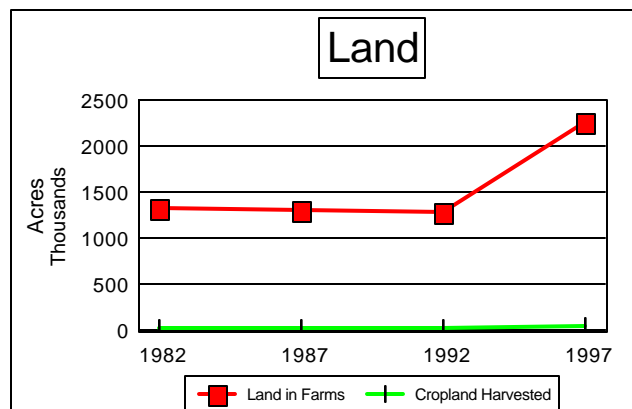
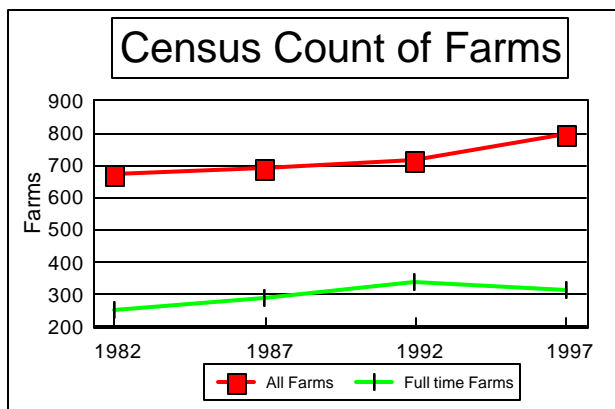
Increased 17 percent to \$21,466,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 26 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 74 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 5 percent from \$25,710 in 1992 to \$27,001 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	21,466	13	29	2,046	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	15,837	11	29	1,461	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	5,628	12	29	2,067	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	11,482	9	29	792	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	4,157	9	29	143	3,043
Dairy products	2,459	16	26	960	2,563
Sheep, lambs, and wool	1,118	8	29	109	2,787
Nursery and greenhouse crops	779	11	26	1,100	2,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	26,006	8	29	753	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	14,038	6	29	93	2,765
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	11,135	4	20	259	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	1,563	8	29	1,650	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	996	3	29	26	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	50,631	8	29	598	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	16,675	7	29	95	2,864
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	8,732	3	27	173	2,884
Horse and pony inventory	4,794	2	29	24	3,066
Hogs and pigs inventory	637	9	29	1,789	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	38,621	9	29	460	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	2,374	7	25	599	2,473
Barley-acres	1,548	12	27	309	1,411
Wheat-acres	(D)	11	25	1,629	2,612
Corn for grain-acres	994	6	20	1,868	2,691

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	480	464	3
\$10,000 or more	315	252	25
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	17,683	16,717	6
Average per farmdollars..	22,271	23,348	-5
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	2,386	2,260	6
Average per farmdollars..	3,005	3,156	-5
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	699	620	13
Partnership or corporation	92	84	10
Other	4	12	-67
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	314	338	-7
Other	481	378	27
Operators by sex:			
Male	752	688	9
Female	43	28	54
Operators by race:			
White	776	695	12
Black and other races	19	21	-10
Average age of operator	55.3	54.6	1

(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.