

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Utah Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 24 percent from 139,347 acres in 1992 to 106,142 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 29 percent from 509 acres in 1992 to 361 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 14 percent from 115 farms in 1992 to 99 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

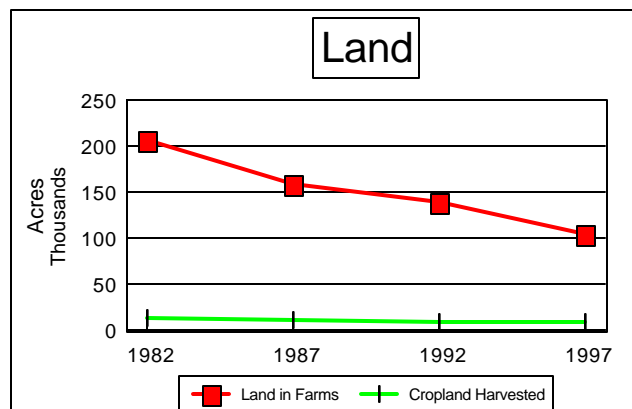
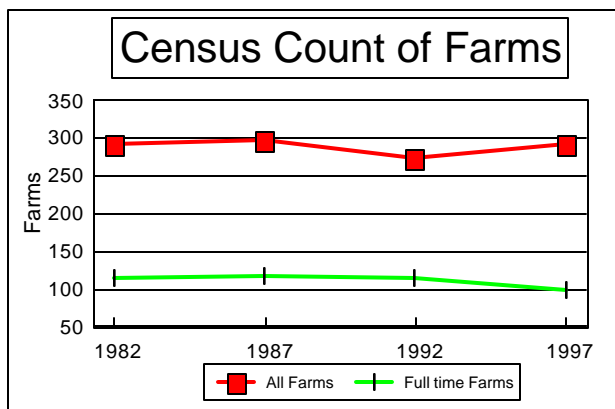
Increased slightly

Crop sales accounted for 14 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 86 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 7 percent from \$28,234 in 1992 to \$26,351 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	7,747	23	29	2,620	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	6,631	19	29	2,173	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	1,117	21	29	2,697	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	2,676	15	26	924	2,563
Cattle and calves	2,386	25	29	2,027	3,063
Sheep, lambs, and wool	1,251	6	29	97	2,787
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	607	24	29	1,427	3,043
Nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	12	26	1,381	2,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Sheep and lambs sold	12,892	7	29	105	2,765
Cattle and calves sold	4,856	26	29	2,192	3,063
Mink and their pelts sold	(D)	9	9	98	191
Horses and ponies sold	76	20	29	1,215	3,015
Hogs and pigs sold	65	22	29	2,661	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Sheep and lamb inventory	16,417	8	29	96	2,864
Cattle and calves inventory	9,389	25	29	2,202	3,064
Mink inventory	(D)	9	11	111	239
Horse and pony inventory	1,017	19	29	726	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	181	17	28	2,365	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	8,448	22	29	1,861	3,061
Barley-acres	862	17	27	400	1,411
Oats-acres	56	25	28	1,846	2,332
All nursery-acres	33	14	25	1,676	2,619
Other crops-acres	(D)	5	8	418	759

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	207	191	8
\$10,000 or more	87	83	5
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	5,802	7,656	-24
Average per farmdollars..	19,735	27,940	-29
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,524	1,131	35
Average per farmdollars..	5,183	4,128	26
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	251	235	7
Partnership or corporation	42	35	20
Other	1	4	-75
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	99	115	-14
Other	195	159	23
Operators by sex:			
Male	267	263	2
Female	27	11	145
Operators by race:			
White	293	273	7
Black and other races	1	1	
Average age of operator	56.8	56.0	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.