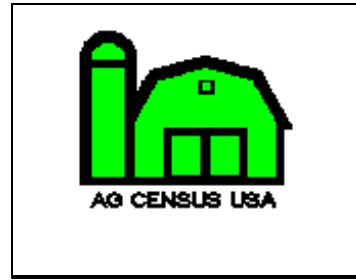


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Land in farms

Decreased 27 percent from 8,627 acres in 1992 to 6,303 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 6 percent from 85 acres in 1992 to 90 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 58 percent from 36 farms in 1992 to 15 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

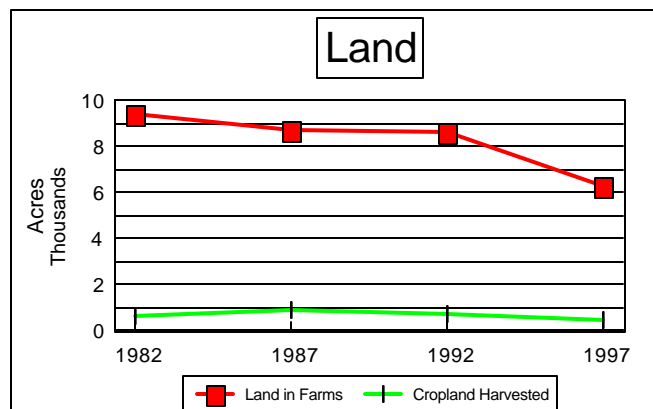
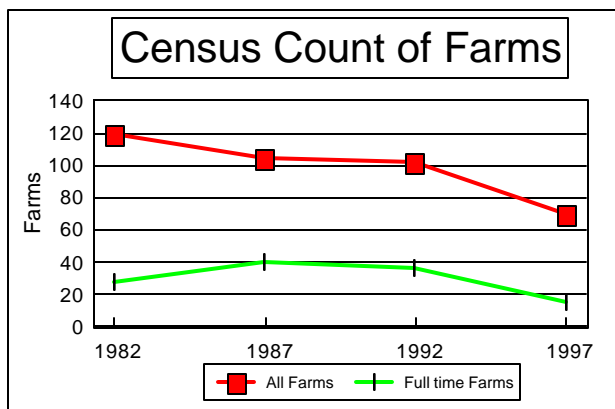
Decreased 45 percent to \$341,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 59 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 41 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 20 percent from \$6,130 in 1992 to \$4,874 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	341	97	98	3,037	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	200	96	98	2,983	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	141	95	97	3,021	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Tobacco	138	30	47	414	580
Cattle and calves	138	87	97	2,947	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	89	97	2,250	2,790
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	9	94	97	2,980	3,043
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	(D)	93	96	2,530	2,739
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	377	85	97	2,943	3,063
All goats sold	(D)	73	90	2,133	2,686
Horses and ponies sold	(D)	93	96	2,934	3,015
Mules, burros, and donkeys sold	(D)	34	49	1,273	1,580
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	68	68	2,199	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	759	87	97	2,956	3,064
All goat inventory	171	43	95	1,301	2,983
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	59	89	95	2,774	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	57	91	97	2,964	3,066
Hogs and pigs inventory	17	92	96	2,869	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	459	92	97	2,956	3,061
Tobacco-acres	39	31	47	422	583
Corn for grain-acres	7	95	97	2,614	2,691
Land in orchards-acres	(D)	93	96	2,525	2,693
Land used for vegetables-acres	(D)	93	96	2,592	2,741

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	62	84	-26
\$10,000 or more	8	18	-56
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	(D)	353	
Average per farmdollars..	(D)	3,465	-100
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	60	236	-75
Average per farmdollars..	852	2,310	-63
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	63	90	-30
Partnership or corporation	7	12	-42
Other			
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	15	36	-58
Other	55	66	-17
Operators by sex:			
Male	65	88	-26
Female	5	14	-64
Operators by race:			
White	70	102	-31
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	51.8	50.4	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.