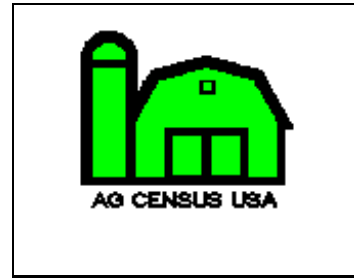


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### Land in farms

Increased 16 percent from 17,392 acres in 1992 to 20,151 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 6 percent from 120 acres in 1992 to 127 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 4 percent from 50 farms in 1992 to 52 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

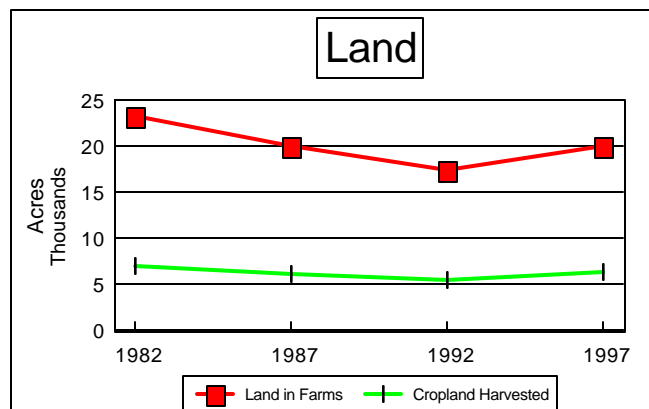
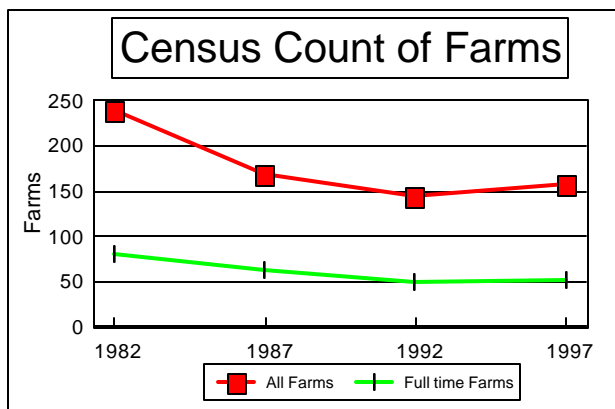
Increased 22 percent to \$8,543,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 60 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 40 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 11 percent from \$48,373 in 1992 to \$53,730 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	8,543	65	98	2,584	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	5,131	44	98	2,111	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	3,412	68	97	2,531	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	3,404	14	97	520	2,790
Poultry & poultry products	2,931	18	92	710	2,901
Tobacco	667	23	47	331	580
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	401	19	96	824	2,739
Cattle and calves	250	81	97	2,893	3,063
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	1,624,600	12	44	407	1,882
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	2	40	252	1,593
Cattle and calves sold	754	80	97	2,876	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	255	55	93	2,318	2,976
All goats sold	77	29	90	1,085	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Broiler inventory	302,102	12	63	393	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	1,967	74	97	2,839	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	479	35	97	1,652	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	297	57	95	2,069	3,002
Hogs and pigs inventory	292	46	96	2,081	3,005
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	2,417	69	97	2,647	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	1,878	48	77	1,430	2,144
All nursery-acres	771	9	93	388	2,619
Wheat-acres	690	49	87	1,785	2,612
Corn for grain-acres	393	73	97	2,117	2,691

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 .....	116	105	10
\$10,000 or more .....	43	40	8
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	6,444	5,455	18
Average per farm .....dollars..	40,788	37,623	8
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	1,994	1,651	21
Average per farm .....dollars..	12,623	11,387	11
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	134	119	13
Partnership or corporation .....	19	24	-21
Other .....	6	2	200
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	52	50	4
Other .....	107	95	13
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	140	127	10
Female .....	19	18	6
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	153	134	14
Black and other races .....	6	11	-45
Average age of operator .....	56.7	55.4	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.