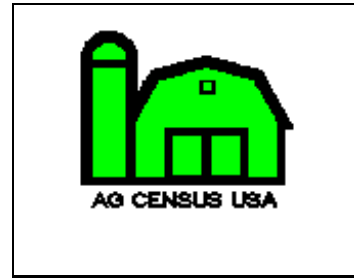


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Land in farms

Increased 11 percent from 56,289 acres in 1992 to 62,642 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 11 percent from 354 acres in 1992 to 392 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 17 percent from 78 farms in 1992 to 91 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

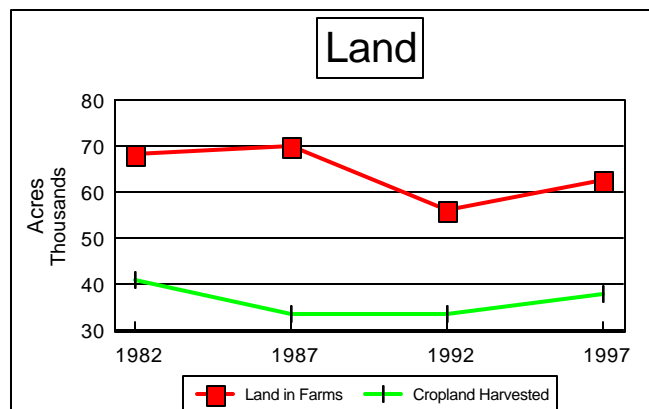
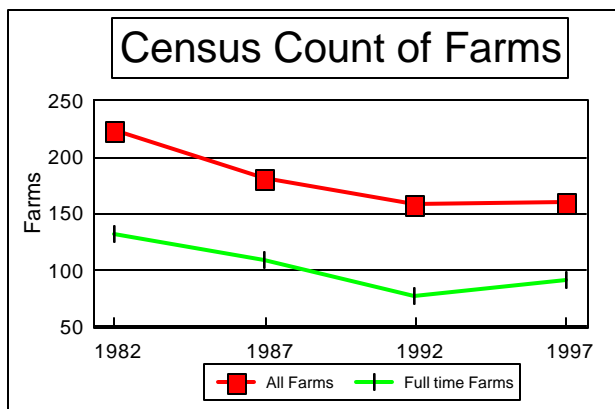
Increased 30 percent to \$19,743,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 94 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 6 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 29 percent from \$95,418 in 1992 to \$123,397 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	19,743	30	98	2,119	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	18,539	11	98	1,319	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	1,204	80	97	2,845	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	8	97	292	2,790
Corn for grain	2,707	8	94	1,010	2,582
Soybeans	2,690	7	77	910	2,136
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	2,196	4	96	339	2,739
Wheat	1,961	5	83	669	2,578
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	1,340	69	97	2,766	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	74	93	2,661	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	53	68	89	2,250	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	(D)	93	96	2,934	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	2,360	72	97	2,799	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	66	77	93	2,340	2,864
Hogs and pigs inventory	45	76	96	2,707	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	31	95	97	3,019	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	91	95	2,914	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	19,360	7	77	800	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	10,838	8	97	1,052	2,691
Wheat-acres	10,274	6	87	759	2,612
Barley-acres	4,140	3	72	203	1,411
Land used for vegetables-acres	1,385	3	96	367	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	68	57	19
\$10,000 or more	92	102	-10
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	17,021	12,540	36
Average per farmdollars..	107,052	78,866	36
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	2,444	2,506	-2
Average per farmdollars..	15,369	15,758	-2
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	124	117	6
Partnership or corporation	36	40	-10
Other	-	2	-100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	91	78	17
Other	69	81	-15
Operators by sex:			
Male	151	147	3
Female	9	12	-25
Operators by race:			
White	128	137	-7
Black and other races	32	22	45
Average age of operator	57.0	55.3	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.