

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Washington Agricultural Statistics Service



## OKANOGAN WASHINGTON

### Land in farms

Decreased 9 percent from 1,291,118 acres in 1992 to 1,178,850 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 3 percent from 961 acres in 1992 to 928 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 7 percent from 780 farms in 1992 to 726 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

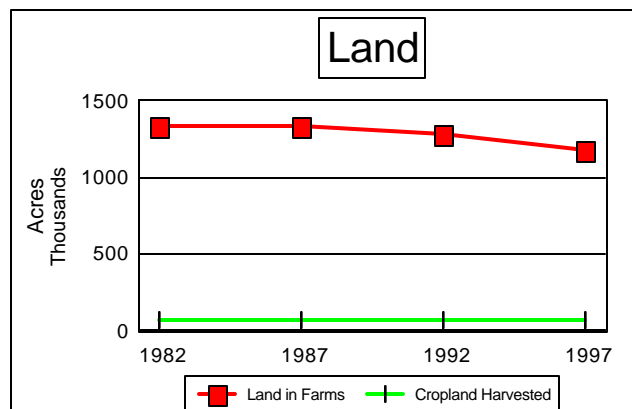
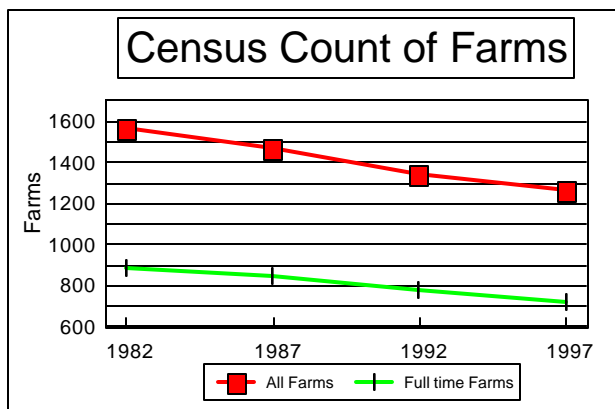
Decreased 4 percent to \$133,521,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 87 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 13 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 2 percent from \$102,990 in 1992 to \$105,134 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	133,521	11	39	307	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	116,237	9	39	104	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	17,284	15	39	1,387	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Fruits, nuts, berries	112,033	5	38	28	2,547
Cattle and calves	14,712	7	39	617	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	2,411	14	39	306	3,043
Aquaculture	(D)	7	28	92	1,505
Wheat	1,304	17	31	805	2,578
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	32,090	7	39	577	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	4,153	2	39	274	2,765
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	15	34	674	2,200
Colonies of bees sold	(D)	2	14	43	611
Horses and ponies sold	680	2	39	50	3,015
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	54,615	5	39	529	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	4,595	2	39	27	3,066
Sheep and lamb inventory	4,216	3	39	294	2,864
Colony of bees inventory	3,258	4	35	181	2,588
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	1,039	15	38	678	2,884
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	34,283	9	39	554	3,061
Land in orchards-acres	28,623	5	39	37	2,693
Wheat-acres	8,410	16	31	837	2,612
Oats-acres	1,407	3	27	497	2,332
Barley-acres	614	17	31	459	1,411

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 .....	575	583	-1
\$10,000 or more .....	695	761	-9
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	101,711	97,149	5
Average per farm .....dollars..	80,088	72,229	11
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	31,732	40,306	-21
Average per farm .....dollars..	24,986	29,968	-17
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	1,064	1,124	-5
Partnership or corporation .....	193	210	-8
Other .....	13	10	30
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	726	780	-7
Other .....	544	564	-4
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	1,140	1,210	-6
Female .....	130	134	-3
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	1,226	1,308	-6
Black and other races .....	44	36	22
Average age of operator .....	54.9	54.3	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.