

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Washington Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased 10 percent from 112,085 acres in 1992 to 123,731 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 23 percent from 90 acres in 1992 to 111 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 729 farms in 1992 to 655 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

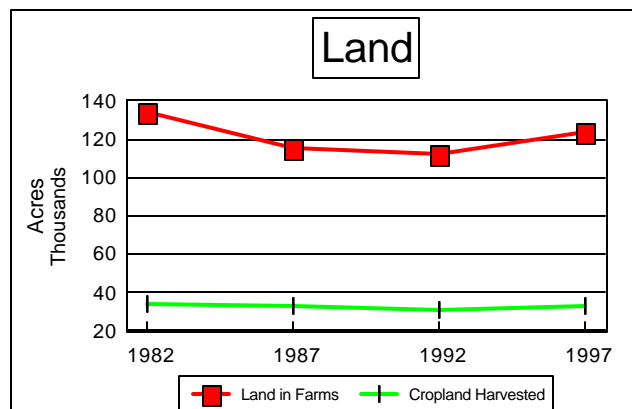
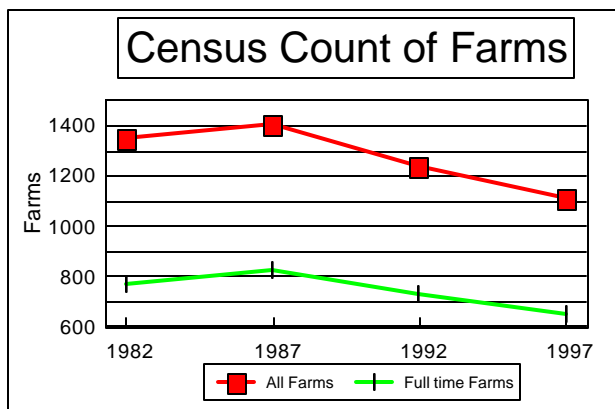
Decreased 4 percent to \$146,403,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 100 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 0 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 7 percent from \$122,592 in 1992 to \$131,539 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	146,403	10	39	256	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	145,675	8	39	71	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	728	38	39	2,922	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Fruits, nuts, berries	144,846	3	38	20	2,547
Cattle and calves	439	36	39	2,795	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	423	29	37	1,410	2,790
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	195	32	39	2,376	3,043
Wheat	(D)	20	31	1,553	2,578
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	1,438	36	39	2,738	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	12	39	1,720	2,976
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	23	29	1,388	1,882
Sheep and lambs sold	58	37	39	2,215	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	49	28	39	1,672	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	1,818	38	39	2,858	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	1,483	16	39	378	3,066
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	12	35	425	2,588
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	14	39	1,863	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	203	33	39	2,299	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Land in orchards-acres	29,249	4	39	36	2,693
Hay crops-acres	1,953	37	39	2,721	3,061
Wheat-acres	1,864	19	31	1,452	2,612
Barley-acres	(D)	23	31	706	1,411
All nursery-acres	56	30	36	1,457	2,619

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	325	421	-23
\$10,000 or more	788	819	-4
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	96,785	103,716	-7
Average per farmdollars..	87,037	83,710	4
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	47,050	46,138	2
Average per farmdollars..	42,311	37,238	14
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	810	964	-16
Partnership or corporation	294	267	10
Other	9	9	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	655	729	-10
Other	458	511	-10
Operators by sex:			
Male	1,011	1,136	-11
Female	102	104	-2
Operators by race:			
White	1,096	1,233	-11
Black and other races	17	7	143
Average age of operator	53.8	53.1	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.