

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
West Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service



BARBOUR WEST VIRGINIA

Land in farms

Increased 14 percent from 76,080 acres in 1992 to 86,546 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 12 percent from 177 acres in 1992 to 198 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased slightly from 203 farms in 1992 to 201 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

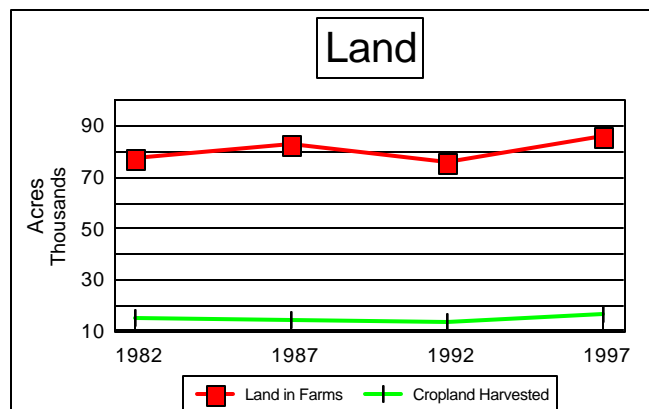
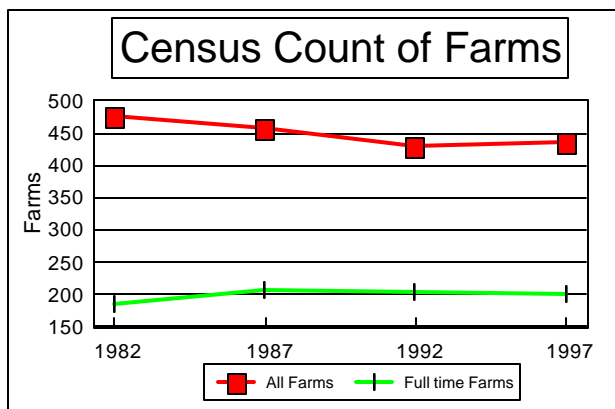
Increased 6 percent to \$3,927,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 12 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 88 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 5 percent from \$8,586 in 1992 to \$8,985 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	3,927	17	55	2,825	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	3,468	15	55	2,522	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	459	31	54	2,889	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	2,931	10	55	1,868	3,063
Dairy products	391	15	41	1,857	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	273	20	52	1,612	2,790
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	181	26	54	2,419	3,043
Horses and ponies	56	14	51	1,860	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	7,184	11	55	1,870	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	379	16	51	2,174	2,976
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	7	23	470	1,593
Sheep and lambs sold	163	27	50	1,817	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	82	4	51	1,134	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	12,037	14	55	1,976	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	793	11	52	1,327	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	296	23	50	1,677	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	249	30	54	2,410	3,066
All goat inventory	146	23	52	1,435	2,983
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	16,622	10	54	1,216	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	164	27	48	1,884	2,473
Corn for grain-acres	41	38	51	2,482	2,691
All nursery-acres	14	40	50	1,992	2,619
Land in orchards-acres	10	38	53	2,141	2,693

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	342	344	-1
\$10,000 or more	95	86	10
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	3,473	2,859	21
Average per farmdollars..	7,966	6,650	20
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	333	629	-47
Average per farmdollars..	763	1,464	-48
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	416	403	3
Partnership or corporation	21	25	-16
Other	-	2	-100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	201	203	-1
Other	236	227	4
Operators by sex:			
Male	387	394	-2
Female	50	36	39
Operators by race:			
White	436	429	2
Black and other races	1	1	
Average age of operator	57.8	57.9	-0

(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.