

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
West Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 9 percent from 30,015 acres in 1992 to 27,435 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 14 percent from 112 acres in 1992 to 128 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 8 percent from 92 farms in 1992 to 85 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

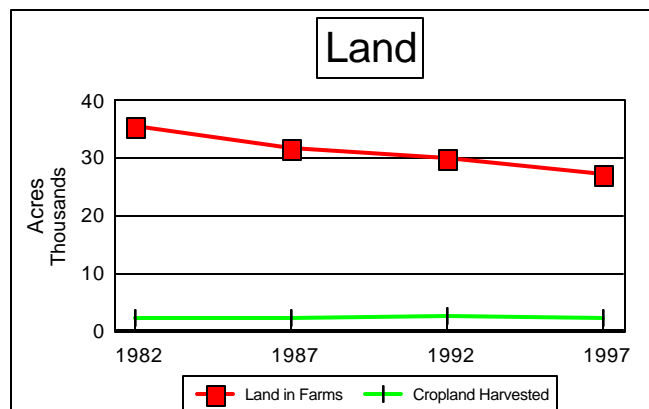
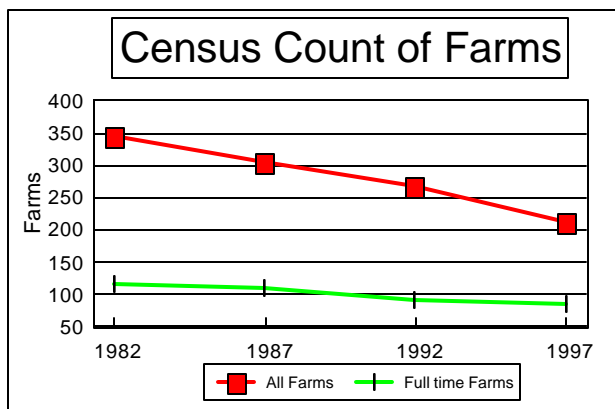
Decreased 27 percent to \$1,187,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 86 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 14 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 9 percent from \$6,061 in 1992 to \$5,545 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	1,187	40	55	2,995	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	1,015	15	54	2,725	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	172	48	55	3,008	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Tobacco	838	3	20	315	580
Cattle and calves	157	48	55	2,935	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	79	38	52	2,102	2,790
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	62	45	54	2,792	3,043
Corn for grain	15	28	45	2,319	2,582
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	541	48	55	2,918	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	74	38	51	2,636	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	49	50	2,567	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	(D)	39	51	2,791	3,015
All goats sold	(D)	42	47	2,387	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	1,126	48	55	2,926	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	179	45	52	2,376	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	145	40	54	2,735	3,066
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	129	11	47	967	2,549
Hogs and pigs inventory	72	32	52	2,590	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	1,549	49	54	2,779	3,061
Tobacco-acres	326	2	21	301	583
All nursery-acres	230	8	50	852	2,619
Corn for grain-acres	115	26	51	2,344	2,691
Land used for vegetables-acres	18	21	51	1,993	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	184	227	-19
\$10,000 or more	30	40	-25
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	942	1,536	-39
Average per farmdollars..	4,360	5,732	-24
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	482	644	-25
Average per farmdollars..	2,234	2,403	-7
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	201	237	-15
Partnership or corporation	13	26	-50
Other	-	4	-100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	85	92	-8
Other	129	175	-26
Operators by sex:			
Male	191	234	-18
Female	23	33	-30
Operators by race:			
White	214	267	-20
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	56.6	54.6	4

(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.