

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
West Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service



BOONE WEST VIRGINIA

Land in farms

Decreased 8 percent from 2,531 acres in 1992 to 2,335 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 46 percent from 70 acres in 1992 to 102 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 13 percent from 8 farms in 1992 to 7 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

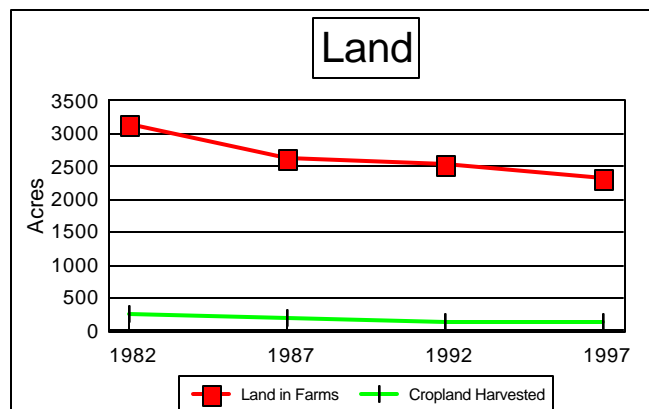
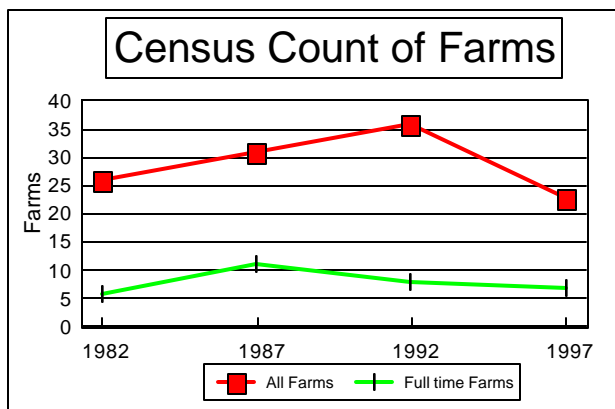
Decreased 43 percent to \$45,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 71 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 29 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 11 percent from \$2,187 in 1992 to \$1,944 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	45	54	55	3,068	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	32	54	54	3,054	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	13	53	55	3,057	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Tobacco	23	12	20	497	580
Cattle and calves	11	53	55	3,050	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	4	52	54	3,008	3,043
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	(D)	30	48	1,781	2,237
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	(D)	44	51	2,587	2,739
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	30	53	55	3,049	3,063
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	29	35	2,056	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	51	51	2,962	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	105	49	52	2,613	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	94	52	55	3,044	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	34	51	2,357	2,884
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	33	47	1,785	2,549
Broiler inventory	(D)	33	47	2,176	2,620
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	97	52	54	3,032	3,061
Land in orchards-acres	15	32	53	1,996	2,693
Tobacco-acres	6	12	21	508	583
Land used for vegetables-acres	(D)	44	51	2,536	2,741
Potatoes-acres	(D)	45	50	1,486	1,733

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	22	35	-37
\$10,000 or more	1	1	
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	46	81	-43
Average per farmdollars..	2,006	2,252	-11
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	(1)	(2)	50
Average per farmdollars..	(62)	(65)	5
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	23	35	-34
Partnership or corporation		1	-100
Other			
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	7	8	-13
Other	16	28	-43
Operators by sex:			
Male	22	36	-39
Female	1	-	
Operators by race:			
White	23	36	-36
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	58.3	57.6	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.