

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
West Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service



MONONGALIA WEST VIRGINIA

Land in farms

Increased 6 percent from 54,622 acres in 1992 to 58,074 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Unchanged from 135 acres in 1992 to 135 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 7 percent from 133 farms in 1992 to 142 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

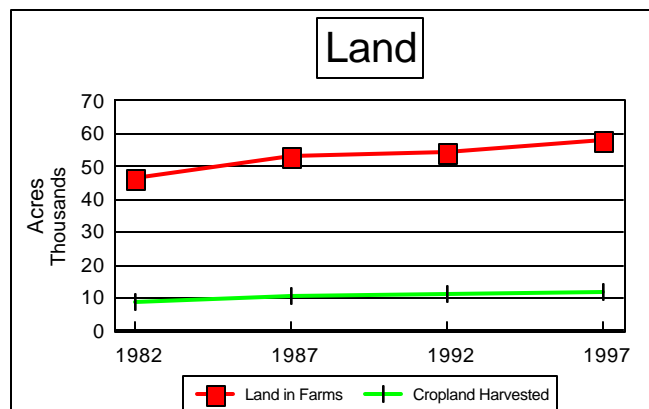
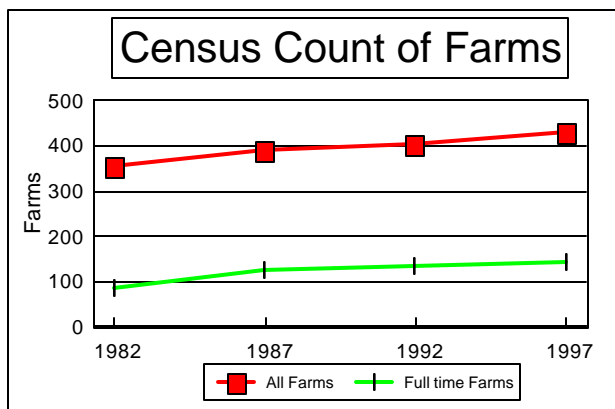
Increased 13 percent to \$2,890,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 19 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 81 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 6 percent from \$6,328 in 1992 to \$6,721 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	2,890	22	55	2,895	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	2,355	20	55	2,672	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	535	29	54	2,864	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	1,857	20	55	2,211	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	272	17	54	2,141	3,043
Dairy products	(D)	19	41	2,027	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	163	27	52	1,846	2,790
Horses and ponies	121	7	51	1,209	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	7	19	676	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	4,799	19	55	2,197	3,063
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	7	35	925	2,203
Sheep and lambs sold	623	10	50	1,113	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold	119	28	51	2,536	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	7,120	25	55	2,396	3,064
Broiler inventory	(D)	7	47	649	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	6	52	868	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,200	9	50	822	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	558	8	54	1,450	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	11,936	21	54	1,512	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	180	23	48	1,857	2,473
Corn for grain-acres	150	24	51	2,304	2,691
Oats-acres	61	15	34	1,819	2,332
All nursery-acres	48	27	50	1,526	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	367	351	5
\$10,000 or more	63	53	19
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	3,537	2,650	33
Average per farmdollars..	8,245	6,576	25
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	(364)	(369)	1
Average per farmdollars..	(849)	(915)	7
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	404	382	6
Partnership or corporation	24	19	26
Other	2	3	-33
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	142	133	7
Other	288	271	6
Operators by sex:			
Male	380	368	3
Female	50	36	39
Operators by race:			
White	429	403	6
Black and other races	1	1	
Average age of operator	57.5	56.4	2

(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.