

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
West Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service



RANDOLPH WEST VIRGINIA

Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 104,194 acres in 1992 to 104,130 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 9 percent from 288 acres in 1992 to 263 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 19 percent from 135 farms in 1992 to 161 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

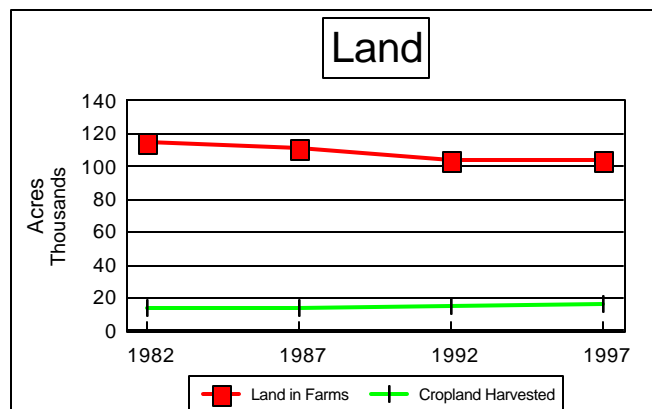
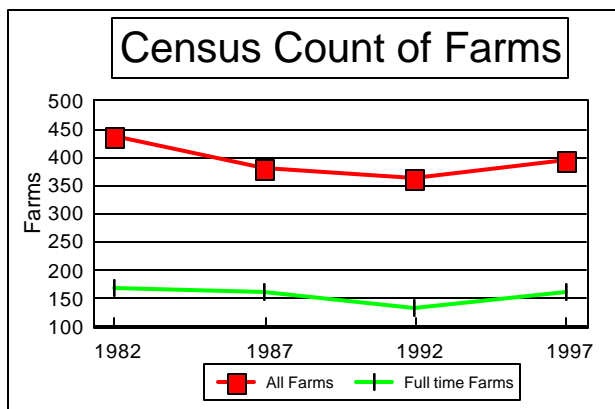
Increased slightly

Crop sales accounted for 14 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 86 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 8 percent from \$15,449 in 1992 to \$14,258 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	5,646	12	55	2,726	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	4,871	12	55	2,373	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	775	19	54	2,787	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	3,501	7	55	1,750	3,063
Dairy products	1,108	8	41	1,353	2,563
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	286	15	54	2,101	3,043
Sheep, lambs, and wool	181	3	50	455	2,787
Nursery and greenhouse crops	178	25	52	1,809	2,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	7,606	8	55	1,831	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	2,417	3	50	395	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	13	51	2,132	2,976
All goats sold	(D)	16	47	1,251	2,686
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	56	18	35	1,594	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	11,424	15	55	2,022	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	2,850	4	50	405	2,864
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	606	17	52	1,528	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	297	23	54	2,224	3,066
Hogs and pigs inventory	262	12	52	2,146	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	15,403	11	54	1,286	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	709	10	51	1,957	2,691
Corn for silage-acres	476	14	48	1,448	2,473
Soybeans for beans-acres	230	7	17	1,848	2,144
Maple trees tapped-acres	215	1	16	99	427

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	300	262	15
\$10,000 or more	96	100	-4
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	4,505	4,506	-0
Average per farmdollars..	11,319	12,447	-9
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,444	171	744
Average per farmdollars..	3,629	472	669
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	366	334	10
Partnership or corporation	28	27	4
Other	2	1	100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	161	135	19
Other	235	227	4
Operators by sex:			
Male	357	329	9
Female	39	33	18
Operators by race:			
White	396	362	9
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	57.8	57.6	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.