

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
West Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 10 percent from 35,587 acres in 1992 to 31,987 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 4 percent from 109 acres in 1992 to 105 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 13 percent from 130 farms in 1992 to 113 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

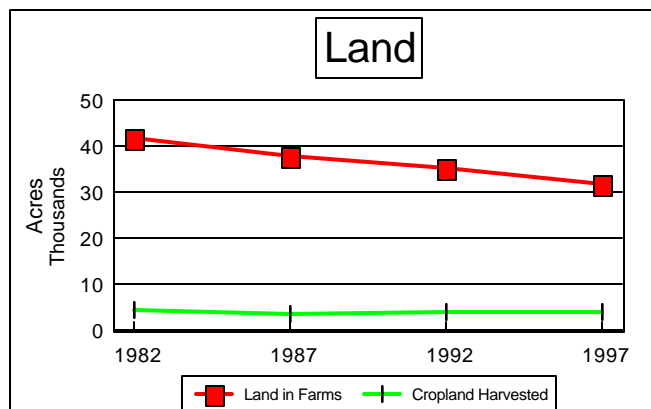
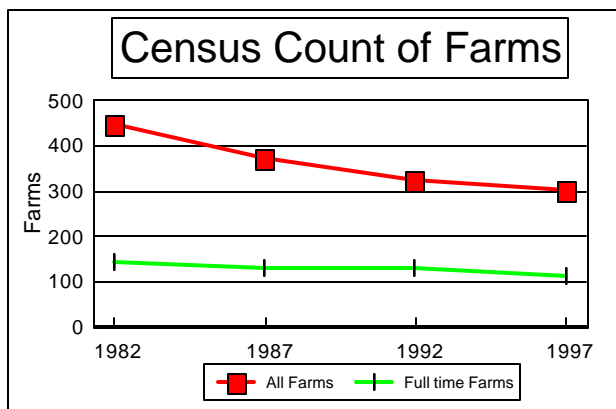
Increased slightly

Crop sales accounted for 81 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 19 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 7 percent from \$6,907 in 1992 to \$7,421 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	2,263	29	55	2,927	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	1,833	8	54	2,543	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	430	45	55	2,965	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	858	6	52	1,045	2,790
Tobacco	812	4	20	319	580
Cattle and calves	377	43	55	2,823	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	97	43	54	2,682	3,043
Corn for grain	(D)	19	45	2,203	2,582
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	1,107	42	55	2,801	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	55	43	51	2,712	2,976
All goats sold	51	21	47	1,422	2,686
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	43	50	2,364	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	22	30	51	2,386	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	2,243	42	55	2,809	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	283	24	54	2,261	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	251	40	52	2,191	3,002
All goat inventory	178	15	52	1,270	2,983
Colony of bees inventory	82	10	52	1,160	2,588
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	3,233	42	54	2,538	3,061
Tobacco-acres	268	4	21	319	583
Corn for grain-acres	201	22	51	2,246	2,691
All nursery-acres	96	17	50	1,223	2,619
Land in orchards-acres	48	10	53	1,430	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	275	287	-4
\$10,000 or more	30	40	-25
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	1,959	1,625	21
Average per farmdollars..	6,403	4,968	29
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	149	261	-43
Average per farmdollars..	487	798	-39
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	286	300	-5
Partnership or corporation	19	26	-27
Other	-	1	-100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	113	130	-13
Other	192	197	-3
Operators by sex:			
Male	284	295	-4
Female	21	32	-34
Operators by race:			
White	304	327	-7
Black and other races	1	-	-
Average age of operator	55.9	57.9	-3

(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.