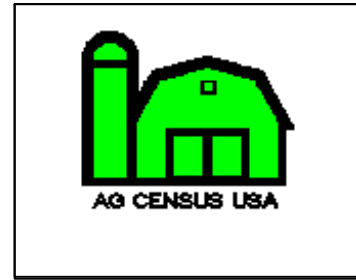


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Land in farms

Decreased 4 percent from 15,463,551 acres in 1992 to 14,900,205 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased slightly from 228 acres in 1992 to 227 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 15 percent from 46,180 farms in 1992 to 39,030 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

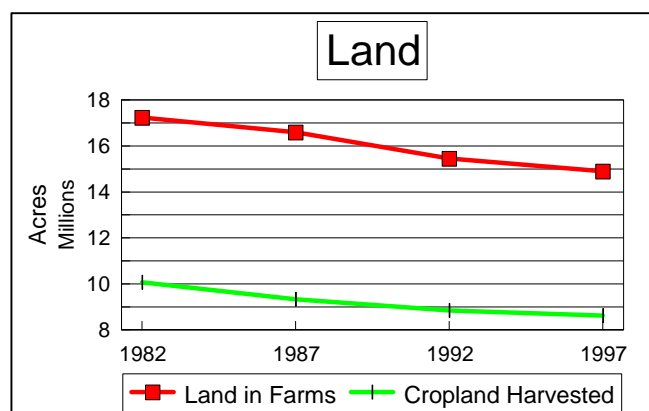
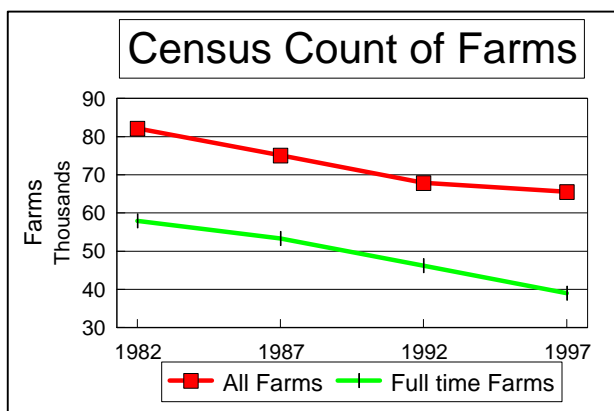
Increased 6 percent to \$5,579,861,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 29 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 71 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 10 percent from \$77,395 in 1992 to \$85,056 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	5,579,861	10	50
Value of livestock and poultry	3,939,578	8	50
Value of crops including nursery	1,640,283	21	50
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)			
Dairy products	2,746,950	2	50
Cattle and calves	670,518	13	50
Corn for grain	580,698	9	48
Soybeans	255,335	14	40
Poultry & poultry products	241,523	22	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)			
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	27,607,761	23	50
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	7,453,430	2	50
Turkeys sold (D)		14	49
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	2,530,496	30	50
Cattle and calves sold	1,547,935	12	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)			
Broiler inventory	4,983,332	21	50
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	3,692,115	25	50
Cattle and calves inventory	3,440,300	9	50
All turkeys inventory (D)		11	50
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	1,137,503	4	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA			
Hay crops-acres	3,554,932	4	50
Corn for grain-acres	2,877,971	8	48
Soybeans for beans-acres	990,531	18	42
Corn for silage-acres	717,549	1	49
Oats-acres	314,722	2	49

Other State Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	25,345	21,863	16
\$10,000 or more	40,257	46,096	-13
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	4,202,802	4,029,737	4
Average per farmdollars..	64,083	59,292	8
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,318,913	1,230,986	7
Average per farmdollars..	20,110	18,112	11
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	56,598	58,298	-3
Partnership or corporation	8,616	9,432	-9
Other	388	229	69
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	39,030	46,180	-15
Other	26,572	21,779	22
Operators by sex:			
Male	61,201	64,136	-5
Female	4,401	3,823	15
Operators by race:			
White	65,418	67,848	-4
Black and other races	184	111	66
Average age of operator	52.2	50.6	3

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

* Universe is number of states in U.S. with item.