

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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### Land in farms

Decreased 8 percent from 351,633 acres in 1992 to 324,893 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 4 percent from 227 acres in 1992 to 218 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 17 percent from 1,127 farms in 1992 to 934 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

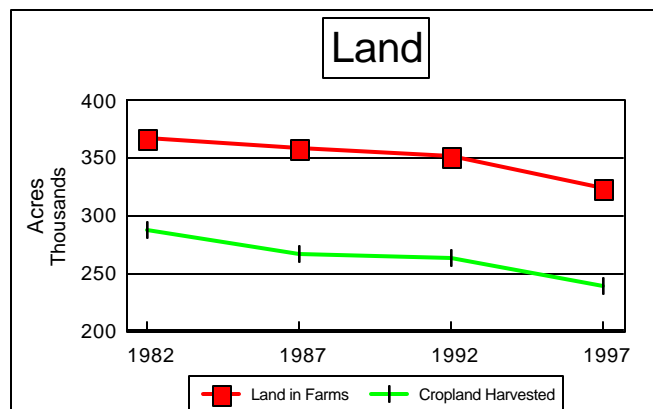
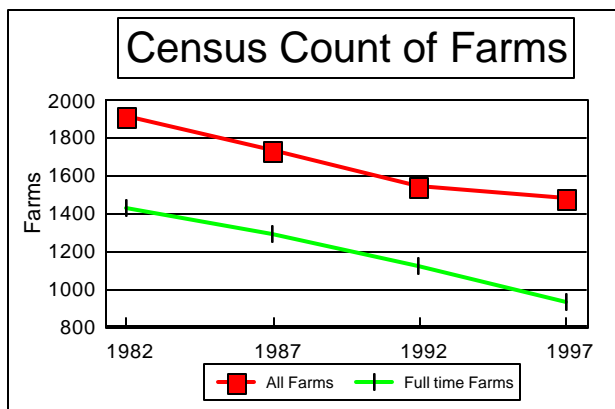
Increased slightly

Crop sales accounted for 25 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 75 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 4 percent from \$97,356 in 1992 to \$101,573 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	151,140	7	72	236	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	112,630	9	72	150	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	38,510	15	72	745	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Dairy products	91,876	7	70	28	2,563
Cattle and calves	16,061	12	72	544	3,063
Corn for grain	15,382	11	67	433	2,582
Soybeans	9,296	10	64	568	2,136
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	7,182	6	69	139	2,739
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	48,070	11	62	110	2,200
Cattle and calves sold	39,280	12	72	436	3,063
Mink and their pelts sold	33,560	7	38	21	191
Hogs and pigs sold	26,996	16	70	725	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	1,071	19	71	782	2,765
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	91,677	11	72	172	3,064
Mink inventory	18,662	7	39	21	239
Hogs and pigs inventory	13,257	14	71	717	3,005
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	11,864	11	70	137	2,884
Broiler inventory	2,022	16	70	705	2,620
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	78,306	9	69	305	2,691
Hay crops-acres	78,174	15	72	86	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	36,407	8	64	618	2,144
Corn for silage-acres	21,643	9	71	28	2,473
Land used for vegetables-acres	19,143	3	69	34	2,741

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	425	348	22
\$10,000 or more .....	1,063	1,204	-12
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	111,875	114,330	-2
Average per farm .....dollars..	75,185	73,571	2
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	39,129	38,875	1
Average per farm .....dollars..	26,297	25,016	5
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	1,254	1,280	-2
Partnership or corporation .....	218	266	-18
Other .....	16	6	167
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	934	1,127	-17
Other .....	554	425	30
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	1,403	1,468	-4
Female .....	85	84	1
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	1,484	1,551	-4
Black and other races .....	4	1	300
Average age of operator .....	51.7	50.0	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.