

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Wisconsin Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 1 percent from 26,456 acres in 1992 to 26,150 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 3 percent from 230 acres in 1992 to 236 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 2 percent from 54 farms in 1992 to 53 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

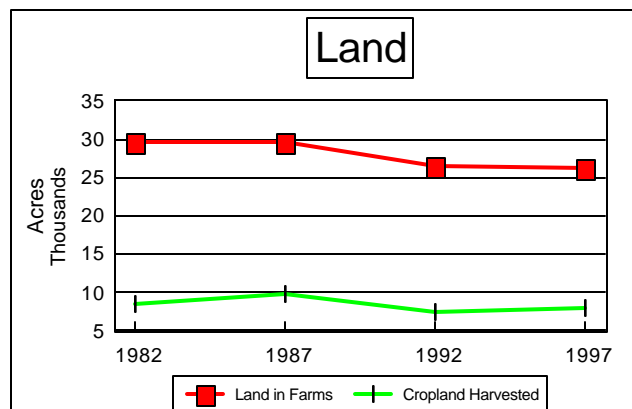
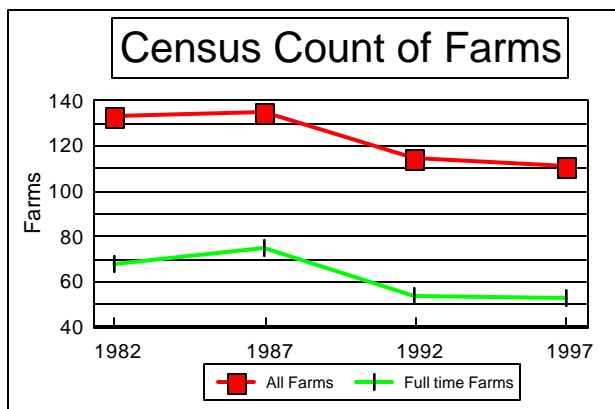
Decreased 16 percent to \$3,698,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 11 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 89 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 13 percent from \$38,077 in 1992 to \$33,313 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	3,698	69	72	2,839	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	3,276	66	72	2,554	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	422	70	72	2,902	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	2,091	58	72	2,131	3,063
Dairy products	1,104	66	70	1,355	2,563
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	(D)	32	69	753	2,237
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	133	67	72	2,561	3,043
Horses and ponies	49	52	69	1,975	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	5,190	59	72	2,135	3,063
Mink and their pelts sold	(D)	33	38	144	191
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	60	71	1,846	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	55	41	69	1,543	3,015
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	45	60	1,325	1,593
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	5,304	66	72	2,547	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	275	60	71	2,292	3,066
Mink inventory	(D)	32	39	142	239
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	169	67	71	2,398	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	(D)	64	71	1,986	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	7,078	66	72	2,011	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	754	63	71	1,210	2,473
Oats-acres	287	68	71	1,236	2,332
Corn for grain-acres	112	66	69	2,349	2,691
Potatoes-acres	(D)	21	63	371	1,733

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	70	72	-3
\$10,000 or more	41	43	-5
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	3,251	3,841	-15
Average per farmdollars..	29,553	33,404	-12
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	758	547	39
Average per farmdollars..	6,895	4,755	45
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	94	101	-7
Partnership or corporation	15	14	7
Other	2	-	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	53	54	-2
Other	58	61	-5
Operators by sex:			
Male	98	103	-5
Female	13	12	8
Operators by race:			
White	108	115	-6
Black and other races	3	-	
Average age of operator	53.9	52.8	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.