

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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Wisconsin Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Increased 1 percent from 361,918 acres in 1992 to 366,709 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 4 percent from 273 acres in 1992 to 263 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 924 farms in 1992 to 833 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

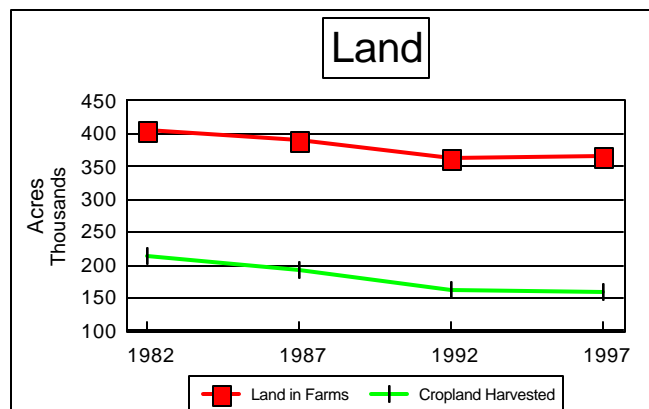
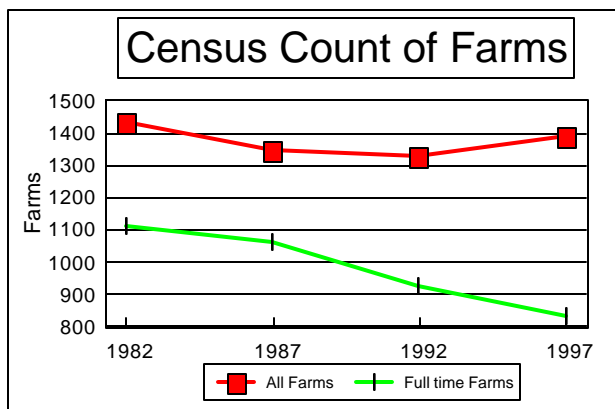
Decreased slightly

Crop sales accounted for 21 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 79 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 5 percent from \$84,133 in 1992 to \$79,559 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                   | 110,905  | 21    | 72        | 431   | 3,076     |
| Value of livestock and poultry                              | 88,112   | 17    | 72        | 230   | 3,069     |
| Value of crops including nursery                            | 22,793   | 27    | 72        | 1,159 | 3,070     |
| <b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>  |          |       |           |       |           |
| Dairy products  | 56,735   | 18    | 70        | 58    | 2,563     |
| Cattle and calves   | 24,186   | 6     | 72        | 323   | 3,063     |
| Corn for grain  | 10,442   | 20    | 67        | 542   | 2,582     |
| Hogs and pigs   | 5,070    | 10    | 70        | 530   | 2,976     |
| Soybeans  | 4,439    | 17    | 64        | 765   | 2,136     |
| <b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>       |          |       |           |       |           |
| Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold                     | (D)      | 8     | 61        | 608   | 2,203     |
| Hogs and pigs sold  | 54,716   | 9     | 70        | 497   | 2,976     |
| Cattle and calves sold                                      | 50,312   | 8     | 72        | 285   | 3,063     |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold                  | 5,808    | 14    | 64        | 736   | 1,882     |
| Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold                        | 1,344    | 31    | 62        | 692   | 2,200     |
| <b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>  |          |       |           |       |           |
| Layers 20 weeks and older inventory                         | (D)      | 5     | 71        | 425   | 3,002     |
| Cattle and calves inventory                                 | 97,844   | 7     | 72        | 139   | 3,064     |
| Hogs and pigs inventory                                     | 28,249   | 8     | 71        | 472   | 3,005     |
| Broiler inventory   | 5,165    | 8     | 70        | 648   | 2,620     |
| Sheep and lamb inventory                                    | 1,726    | 16    | 71        | 614   | 2,864     |
| <b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>                     |          |       |           |       |           |
| Hay crops-acres   | 74,498   | 16    | 72        | 102   | 3,061     |
| Corn for grain-acres  | 56,295   | 21    | 69        | 472   | 2,691     |
| Soybeans for beans-acres                                    | 15,722   | 21    | 64        | 866   | 2,144     |
| Corn for silage-acres                                       | 14,834   | 18    | 71        | 64    | 2,473     |
| Oats-acres  | 5,160    | 26    | 71        | 124   | 2,332     |

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 .....                       | 534    | 367    | 46             |
| \$10,000 or more .....                         | 860    | 961    | -11            |
| Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..  | 89,189 | 86,760 | 3              |
| Average per farm .....dollars..                | 64,026 | 65,381 | -2             |
| <b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b> |        |        |                |
| for the farm unit .....\$1,000..               | 18,186 | 25,621 | -29            |
| Average per farm .....dollars..                | 13,055 | 19,307 | -32            |
| <b>Farms by type of organization:</b>          |        |        |                |
| Individual or family .....                     | 1,148  | 1,073  | 7              |
| Partnership or corporation .....               | 237    | 246    | -4             |
| Other .....                                    | 9      | 9      |                |
| <b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>                |        |        |                |
| <b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>      |        |        |                |
| Farming .....                                  | 833    | 924    | -10            |
| Other .....                                    | 561    | 404    | 39             |
| <b>Operators by sex:</b>                       |        |        |                |
| Male .....                                     | 1,282  | 1,247  | 3              |
| Female .....                                   | 112    | 81     | 38             |
| <b>Operators by race:</b>                      |        |        |                |
| White .....                                    | 1,393  | 1,328  | 5              |
| Black and other races .....                    | 1      | -      |                |
| Average age of operator .....                  | 52.6   | 50.4   | 4              |

(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.