

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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Land in farms

Decreased slightly from 335,517 acres in 1992 to 332,878 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 6 percent from 243 acres in 1992 to 229 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 12 percent from 947 farms in 1992 to 831 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

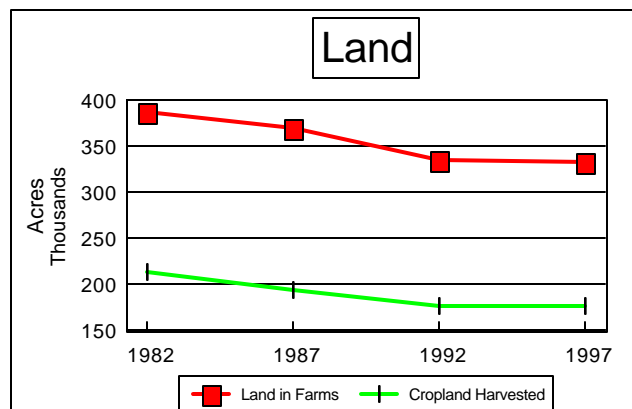
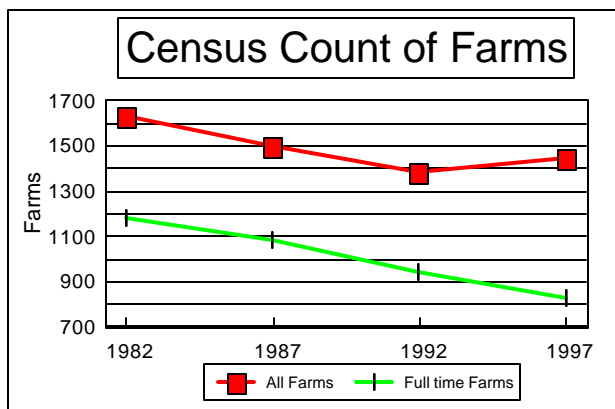
Increased 7 percent to \$121,224,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 18 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 82 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 2 percent from \$82,129 in 1992 to \$83,487 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	121,224	17	72	365	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	99,155	14	72	188	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	22,068	29	72	1,180	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	60,601	15	70	48	2,563
Cattle and calves	19,582	9	72	416	3,063
Hogs and pigs	12,185	2	70	290	2,976
Corn for grain	11,907	16	67	504	2,582
Poultry & poultry products	6,036	9	71	540	2,901
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	4	62	28	2,200
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	166,420	5	61	371	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	113,689	3	70	304	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	39,120	13	72	440	3,063
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	7	64	672	1,882
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	413,759	3	71	181	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	90,217	12	72	181	3,064
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	3	52	163	1,790
Hogs and pigs inventory	54,439	2	71	292	3,005
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	8	70	90	2,884
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	79,938	12	72	79	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	66,895	13	69	387	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	18,598	17	64	808	2,144
Corn for silage-acres	15,217	14	71	57	2,473
Oats-acres	5,177	25	71	123	2,332

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	568	416	37
\$10,000 or more	884	967	-9
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	98,335	93,118	6
Average per farmdollars..	67,677	67,331	1
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	26,086	20,440	28
Average per farmdollars..	17,953	14,779	21
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	1,224	1,175	4
Partnership or corporation	221	206	7
Other	7	2	250
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	831	947	-12
Other	621	436	42
Operators by sex:			
Male	1,328	1,283	4
Female	124	100	24
Operators by race:			
White	1,451	1,381	5
Black and other races	1	2	-50
Average age of operator	52.8	51.1	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.