

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Wyoming Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 17 percent from 1,720,737 acres in 1992 to 1,420,993 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 21 percent from 11,174 acres in 1992 to 8,881 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 12 percent from 89 farms in 1992 to 78 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

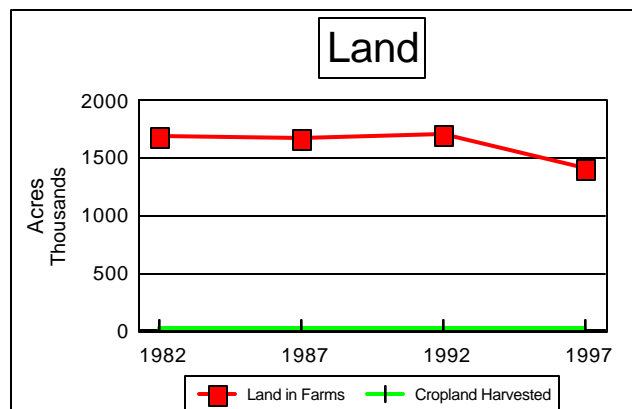
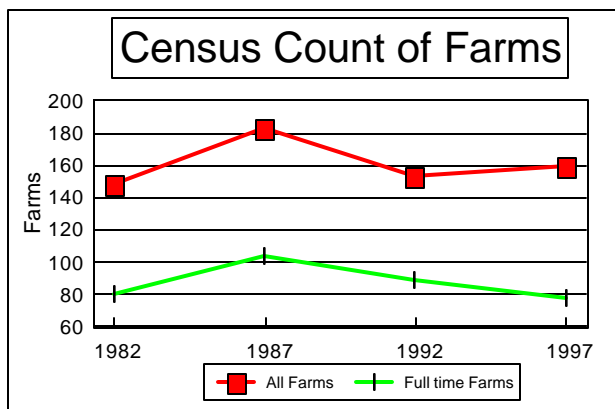
Decreased 9 percent to \$6,963,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 19 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 81 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 12 percent from \$49,414 in 1992 to \$43,517 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	6,963	22	23	2,659	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	5,658	22	23	2,278	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	1,304	18	23	2,646	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	4,961	22	23	1,465	3,063
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	1,098	17	23	848	3,043
Sheep, lambs, and wool	598	17	23	183	2,787
Barley	147	12	18	298	1,167
Horses and ponies	(D)	23	23	1,791	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	11,231	22	23	1,508	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	7,996	17	23	156	2,765
All goats sold	(D)	2	21	329	2,686
Hogs and pigs sold	132	17	22	2,509	2,976
Turkeys sold	(D)	1	7	646	1,353
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	22,361	22	23	1,429	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	11,118	17	23	134	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	975	22	23	776	3,066
All goat inventory	(D)	5	23	812	2,983
Colony of bees inventory	195	9	22	854	2,588
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	23,004	20	23	891	3,061
Barley-acres	643	14	20	452	1,411
Oats-acres	445	19	22	1,027	2,332
Corn for grain-acres	(D)	13	15	2,485	2,691

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	62	77	-19
\$10,000 or more	98	77	27
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	5,700	6,137	-7
Average per farmdollars..	35,628	39,853	-11
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	757	1,106	-32
Average per farmdollars..	4,734	7,179	-34
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	126	122	3
Partnership or corporation	33	27	22
Other	1	5	-80
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	78	89	-12
Other	82	65	26
Operators by sex:			
Male	142	138	3
Female	18	16	13
Operators by race:			
White	160	152	5
Black and other races	-	2	-100
Average age of operator	53.4	52.4	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.