1997 Census of Agriculture State Profile

United States Department of Agriculture Arizona Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 23 percent from 35,037,618 acres in 1992 to 26,866,722 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 15 percent from 5,173 acres in 1992 to 4,379 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 3,613 farms in 1992 to 3,250 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

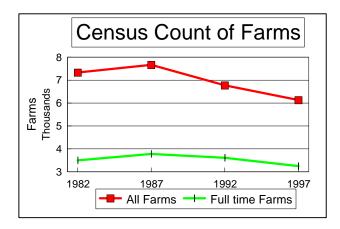
Increased 26 percent to \$1,903,408,000 in 1997.

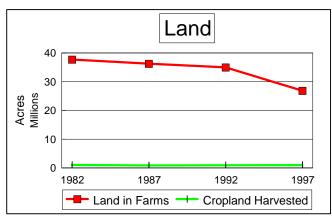
Crop sales accounted for 64 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 36 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 39 percent from \$223,739 in 1992 to \$310,254 in 1997.





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Ranked Items Within U.S., 1997

Item		U.S.	
	Quantity	Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	1,903,408	32	50
Value of crops including nursery	1,222,891	27	50
Value of livestock and poultry	680,517	35	50
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)			
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	398,469	3	50
Cattle and calves	356,617	24	50
Cotton, cottonseed	298,090	8	18
Dairy products	282,185	16	50
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	174,405	8	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)			
Cattle and calves sold	688,560	28	50
Hogs and pigs sold	200,790	30	50
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	45	50
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	39	50
Sheep and lambs sold	64,220	20	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)			
Cattle and calves inventory	822,273	36	50
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	43	50
Hogs and pigs inventory	141,112	29	50
Sheep and lamb inventory	140,602	13	50
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	38	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA			
Cotton-acres	331,699	11	18
Hay crops-acres	243,946	40	50
Land used for vegetables-acres	110,737	11	50
Wheat-acres	103,121	34	46
Land in orchards-acres	67,459	10	50

Other State Summary Highlights

			Percent
Item	1997	1992	Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	3,193	3,584	-11
\$10,000 or more	2,942	3,189	-8
Total farm production expenses\$1,000	1,479,713	1,239,020	19
Average per farmdollars	241,271	182,908	32
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000	417,135	247,273	69
Average per farmdollars	68,015	36,503	86
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	4,178	4,779	-13
Partnership or corporation	1,712	1,722	-1
Other	245	272	-10
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	3,250	3,613	-10
Other	2,885	3,160	-9
Operators by sex:			
Male	5,271	5,941	-11
Female	864	832	4
Operators by race:			
White	5,617	6,127	-8
Black and other races	518	646	-20
Average age of operator	55.6	54.3	2

⁽D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

* Universe is number of states in U.S. with item.