1997 Census of Agriculture State Profile

United States Department of Agriculture New Mexico Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 2 percent from 46,849,244 acres in 1992 to 45,787,108 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased slightly from 3,281 acres in 1992 to 3,249 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 5 percent from 7,540 farms in 1992 to 7,197 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

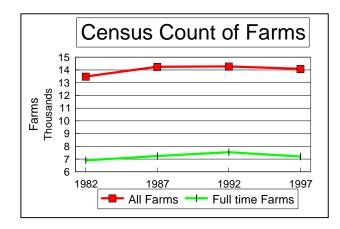
Increased 29 percent to \$1,617,708,000 in 1997.

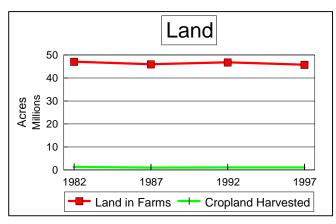
Crop sales accounted for 29 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 71 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 30 percent from \$88,163 in 1992 to \$114,780 in 1997.





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Ranked Items Within U.S., 1997

		U.S.	
Item	Quantity	Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	1,617,708	34	50
Value of livestock and poultry	1,155,530	28	50
Value of crops including nursery	462,178	36	50
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)			
Cattle and calves	647,440	14	50
Dairy products	463,423	11	50
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	118,808	12	50
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	88,776	15	50
Nursery and greenhouse crops	48,409	35	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)			
Cattle and calves sold	1,308,236	15	50
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	537,182	39	50
Sheep and lambs sold	203,026	11	50
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	189,596	26	50
All goats sold	19,264	2	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)			
Cattle and calves inventory	1,676,171	20	50
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	37	50
Sheep and lamb inventory	291,808	8	50
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	37	50
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	39	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA			
Hay crops-acres	318,213	37	50
Wheat-acres	264,190	25	46
Sorghum for grain-acres	188,615	6	41
Corn for grain-acres	80,122	33	48
Cotton-acres	67,996	16	18

Other State Summary Highlights

			Percent	
Item	1997	1992	Change	
Farms by value of sales:				
Less than \$10,000	8,618	8,446	2	
\$10,000 or more	5,476	5,833	-6	
Total farm production expenses\$1,000	1,204,227	1,049,010	15	
Average per farmdollars	85,558	73,465	16	
Net cash return from agricultural sales				
for the farm unit\$1,000	410,261	196,574	109	
Average per farmdollars	29,148	13,767	112	
Farms by type of organization:				
Individual or family	11,783	11,959	-1	
Partnership or corporation	2,006	2,070	-3	
Other	305	250	22	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS				
Operators by principal occupation:				
Farming	7,197	7,540	-5	
Other	6,897	6,739	2	
Operators by sex:				
Male	12,429	12,846	-3	
Female	1,665	1,433	16	
Operators by race:				
White	11,962	11,749	2	
Black and other races	2,132	2,530	-16	
Average age of operator	56.5	55.3	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.