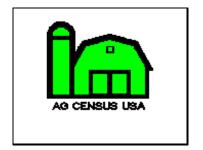
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CALEDONIA VERMONT

Land in farms

Decreased 3 percent from 96,704 acres in 1992 to 94,255 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 7 percent from 225 acres in 1992 to 209 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 8 percent from 271 farms in 1992 to 248 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

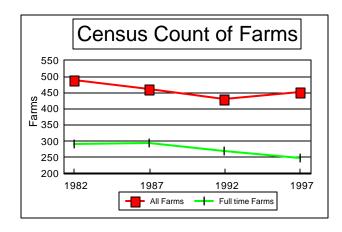
Increased 19 percent to \$29,357,000 in 1997.

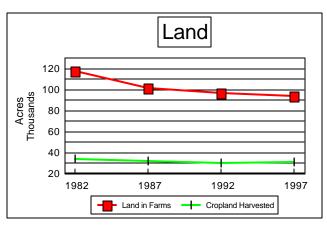
Crop sales accounted for 11 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 89 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 14 percent from \$57,145 in 1992 to \$64,949 in 1997.





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Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

		\$	State	U.	s.
Item	Quantity	Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	29,357	4	14	1,748	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	26,241	4	14	988	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	3,116	10	14	2,358	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	23,407	4	14	182	2,563
Cattle and calves	2,640	4	14	1,944	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1,417	7	14	836	2,790
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	928	7	14	1,003	3,043
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	469	10	14	608	2,237
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	11,727	4	14	1,467	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	4	12	716	2,200
Sheep and lambs sold	642	8	14	1,099	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	450	8	12	1,087	1,882
Turkeys sold	275	7	13	515	1,353
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	20,318	5	14	1,520	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,034	10	14	1,187	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	922	7	14	1,012	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	500	9	14	1,597	3,066
Broiler inventory	323	9	13	1,109	2,620
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	28,095	6	14	722	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	3,501	7	14	423	2,473
Maple trees tapped-acres	1,103	12	14	33	427
All nursery-acres	1,076	1	14	279	2,619
Corn for grain-acres	148	10	13	2,306	2,691

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

Other County Summary Highlights

			Percent	
Item	1997	1992	Change	
Farms by value of sales:				
Less than \$10,000	229	219	5	
\$10,000 or more	223	211	6	
Total farm production expenses\$1,000	21,627	19,317	12	
Average per farmdollars	47,954	45,028	6	
Net cash return from agricultural sales				
for the farm unit\$1,000	6,069	4,060	49	
Average per farmdollars	13,456	9,465	42	
Farms by type of organization:				
Individual or family	417	387	8	
Partnership or corporation	34	42	-19	
Other	1	1		
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS				
Operators by principal occupation:				
Farming	248	271	-8	
Other	204	159	28	
Operators by sex:				
Male	393	381	3	
Female	59	49	20	
Operators by race:				
White	451	430	5	
Black and other races	1	-		
Average age of operator	53.4	52.2	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.

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