

NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DE

Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997

	1997	1992	1987
Farms			
Number	327	336	380
Acreage	77,302	87,134	93,998
Average size (acres)	236	259	247
Median size (acres)	58	N	N
Estimated market value average per farm			
Land/buildings (dollars)	908,126	853,261	670,476
Machinery/equip (dollars)	83,899	75,434	71,585
Cropland (acres)			
Total	66,506	73,436	78,162
Harvested	62,436	67,852	64,358
Irrigated	2,857	2,033	2,063
Agricultural products sold - market value			
(\$1,000)	36,943	40,289	30,417
(dollars avg. per farm)	112,976	119,908	80,044
Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm			
(dollars average)	21,092	15,456	12,739
Livestock inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	2,698	3,446	4,619
Beef cows	D	500	374
Milk cows	D	1,371	1,750
Hogs and pigs	51	630	1,079
Sheep and lambs	222	238	507
Layers 13 wks or/older	D	D	D
Broilers and chicken (sold)	D	D	D
Harvested commodities (acres)			
Corn, grain or seed	24,481	32,048	34,367
Corn, silage or green chop	N	N	N
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	N
Wheat	12,755	9,643	3,726
Barley	1,208	1,481	1,734
Oats	N	N	N
Rice	N	N	N
Sunflower seed	N	N	N
Cotton	N	N	N
Tobacco	N	N	N
Soybeans	27,320	25,591	17,146
Dry edible beans, excl limas	N	N	N
Potatoes, excl sweetpotatoes	N	N	N
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	N
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	N
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	N
Hay-alfalfa	3,915	3,283	5,161
Vegetables			
Number of farms	42	32	36
Acreage	982	1,069	1,562

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Orchards			
Number of farms	N	N	N
Acreage	N	N	N

Abbreviations/footnotes:

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture