

SHELBY COUNTY, IL

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

	1997	1992	1987
Farms			
Number	1,250	1,305	1,431
Acreage	418,688	402,212	422,071
Average size (acres)	335	308	295
Median size (acres)	170	N	N
Estimated market value average per farm			
Land/buildings (dollars)	651,007	442,085	352,209
Machinery/equip (dollars)	73,781	65,125	48,809
Cropland (acres)			
Total	375,723	362,853	380,761
Harvested	352,245	331,942	313,814
Irrigated	123	287	417
Agricultural products sold - market value			
(\$1,000)	112,466	102,597	86,472
(dollars avg. per farm)	89,973	78,618	60,428
Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm			
(dollars average)	29,047	27,505	22,410
Livestock inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	19,107	20,502	20,092
Beef cows	6,324	7,698	6,788
Milk cows	2,291	2,132	2,024
Hogs and pigs	69,127	71,518	73,720
Sheep and lambs	453	803	1,536
Layers 13 wks or/older	D	4,473	23,405
Broilers and chicken (sold)	D	0	380
Harvested commodities (acres)			
Corn, grain or seed	165,768	157,026	131,243
Corn, silage or green chop	2,116	2,929	2,223
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	N
Wheat	22,449	22,290	19,959
Barley	N	N	N
Oats	N	N	N
Rice	N	N	N
Sunflower seed	N	N	N
Cotton	N	N	N
Tobacco	N	N	N
Soybeans	156,713	144,061	153,679
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	9,659	9,730	10,226
Vegetables			
Number of farms	5	5	3
Acreage	47	31	D

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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