

PIERCE COUNTY, WA

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

	1,997	1,992	1,987
Farms			
Number	989	1,059	1,228
Acreage	50,868	58,750	58,754
Average size (acres)	51	55	48
Median size (acres)	18	N	N
Estimated market value average per farm			
Land/buildings (dollars)	336,152	269,050	199,350
Machinery/equip (dollars)	30,336	44,222	23,682
Cropland (acres)			
Total	23,811	27,166	29,318
Harvested	12,592	13,261	14,320
Irrigated	5,149	5,695	6,102
Agricultural products sold - market value			
(\$1,000)	69,835	85,094	78,980
(dollars avg. per farm)	70,612	80,353	64,316
Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm			
(dollars average)	9,610	7,380	10,438
Livestock inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	22,119	24,719	29,177
Beef cows	4,533	4,079	4,040
Milk cows	6,810	9,830	12,478
Hogs and pigs	1,298	754	1,478
Sheep and lambs	1,216	1,182	1,462
Layers 13 wks or/older	D	D	D
Broilers and chicken (sold)	2,829,859	3,174,437	7,117,181
Harvested commodities (acres)			
Corn, grain or seed	0	D	D
Corn, silage or green chop	N	N	N
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	N
Wheat	D	D	D
Barley	D	D	0
Oats	N	N	N
Rice	N	N	N
Sunflower seed	N	N	N
Cotton	N	N	N
Tobacco	N	N	N
Soybeans	N	N	N
Dry edible beans, excl limas	N	N	N
Potatoes, excl sweetpotatoes	7	7	26
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	N
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	N
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	N
Hay-alfalfa	6,966	6,910	8,708
Vegetables			
Number of farms	60	80	83
Acreage	3,079	3,466	3,038

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Orchards

Number of farms	34	66	60
Acreage	89	588	244

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