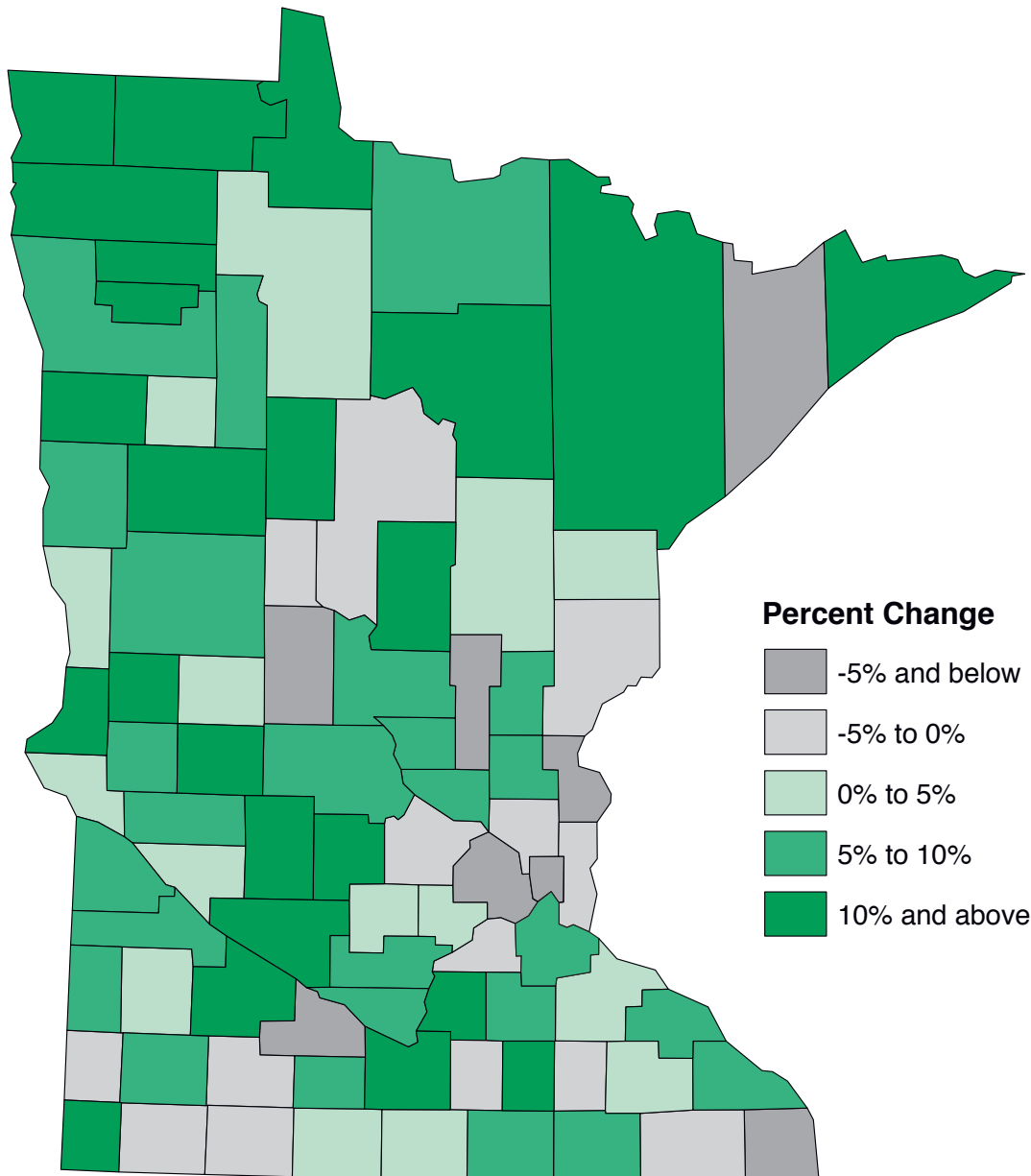


## Change in Land in Farms, 1992–2002

Between 1992 and 2002, the number of acres dedicated to farming increased slightly for the state as a whole, at 7.2%. Some of the largest increases were in northern counties, where a change in the small number of acres in farms can reflect a large change percentage-wise. A few southern counties, however, also showed an increase of greater than 10%. The amount of land in farms continued to drop in the urban and suburbanizing counties in and north of the Twin Cities. The largest decreases were in Ramsey, Hennepin, Chisago and Brown counties.



Data source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Services, 2002 Census of Agriculture

© 2005 Center for Rural Policy and Development