

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Indiana Agricultural Statistics Service



FOUNTAIN INDIANA

Land in farms

Decreased 11 percent from 229,097 acres in 1992 to 204,554 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 3 percent from 362 acres in 1992 to 372 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 21 percent from 374 farms in 1992 to 296 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

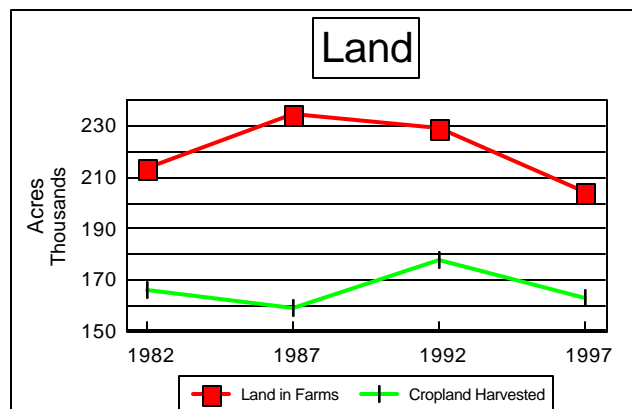
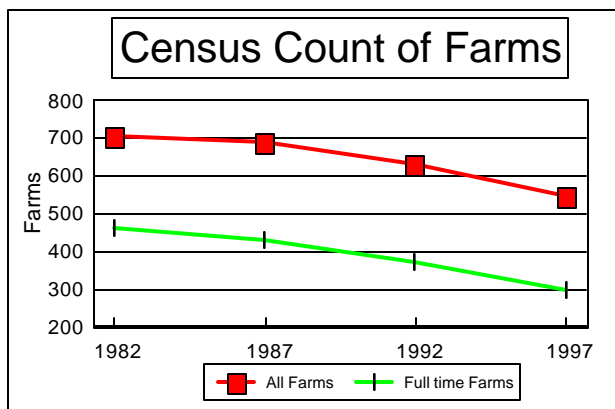
Decreased 2 percent to \$49,371,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 86 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 14 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 13 percent from \$79,564 in 1992 to \$89,765 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	49,371	51	92	1,213	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	42,423	35	92	677	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	6,948	71	92	2,138	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Corn for grain	21,522	27	92	299	2,582
Soybeans	18,938	34	92	322	2,136
Hogs and pigs	4,409	57	92	576	2,976
Cattle and calves	2,332	51	92	2,051	3,063
Fruits, nuts, berries	(D)	2	86	339	2,547
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	83,832	32	92	372	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	4,662	49	92	2,215	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	143	71	91	1,865	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	116	17	92	792	3,015
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	42	63	1,628	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	25,918	49	92	501	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	9,075	42	92	2,233	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	296	64	92	2,226	3,066
Sheep and lamb inventory	258	64	91	1,746	2,864
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	118	82	92	2,565	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	79,676	24	92	297	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	75,286	24	92	340	2,144
Hay crops-acres	5,146	54	92	2,264	3,061
Wheat-acres	3,205	67	92	1,250	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	401	68	92	1,533	2,473

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	214	232	-8
\$10,000 or more	336	401	-16
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	40,388	35,703	13
Average per farmdollars..	73,434	56,492	30
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	13,711	15,257	-10
Average per farmdollars..	24,929	24,141	3
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	462	539	-14
Partnership or corporation	82	92	-11
Other	6	2	200
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	296	374	-21
Other	254	259	-2
Operators by sex:			
Male	529	604	-12
Female	21	29	-28
Operators by race:			
White	549	632	-13
Black and other races	1	1	
Average age of operator	54.0	52.4	3

(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.