

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Indiana Agricultural Statistics Service



HANCOCK INDIANA

Land in farms

Increased slightly from 163,248 acres in 1992 to 163,704 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 14 percent from 261 acres in 1992 to 298 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 7 percent from 291 farms in 1992 to 270 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

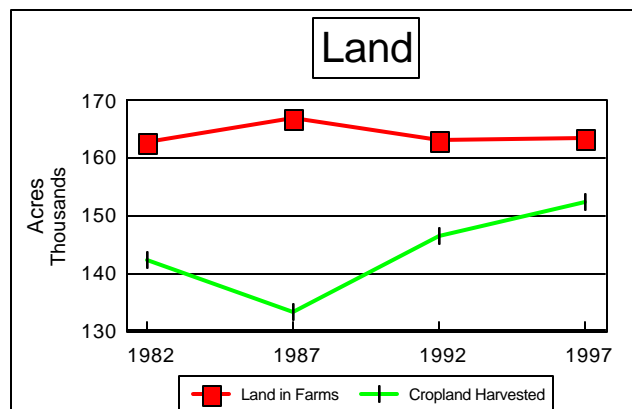
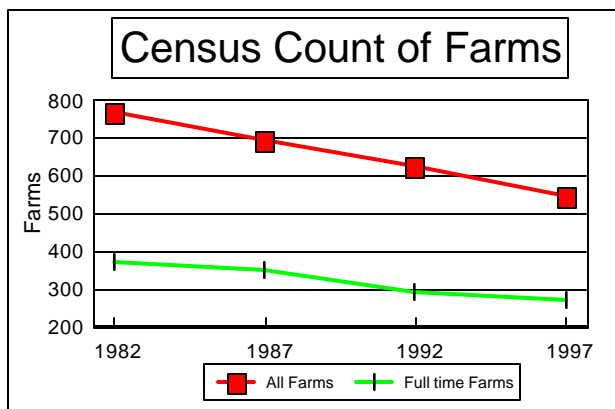
Increased 21 percent to \$55,797,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 80 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 20 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 38 percent from \$73,819 in 1992 to \$101,634 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	55,797	43	92	1,068	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	44,539	27	92	628	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	11,258	54	92	1,764	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Soybeans	21,334	24	92	263	2,136
Corn for grain	20,941	31	92	316	2,582
Hogs and pigs	9,888	32	92	337	2,976
Cattle and calves	984	76	92	2,552	3,063
Wheat	843	36	92	989	2,578
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	88,333	30	92	357	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	1,735	80	92	2,693	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	1,372	5	91	643	2,765
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	27	63	995	2,200
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	44	68	1,447	2,203
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	54,942	26	92	290	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	3,437	81	92	2,703	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,521	6	91	686	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	416	44	92	1,835	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	261	68	92	2,164	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	73,661	26	92	343	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	71,651	30	92	344	2,691
Wheat-acres	4,535	41	92	1,108	2,612
Hay crops-acres	3,300	75	92	2,527	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	329	73	92	1,627	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	223	261	-15
\$10,000 or more	326	364	-10
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	39,294	34,308	15
Average per farmdollars..	71,705	54,718	31
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	15,977	11,127	44
Average per farmdollars..	29,155	17,746	64
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	471	521	-10
Partnership or corporation	77	100	-23
Other	1	4	-75
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	270	291	-7
Other	279	334	-16
Operators by sex:			
Male	525	593	-11
Female	24	32	-25
Operators by race:			
White	548	623	-12
Black and other races	1	2	-50
Average age of operator	52.0	51.9	0

(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.