

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Indiana Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Increased 4 percent from 181,653 acres in 1992 to 188,816 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 8 percent from 370 acres in 1992 to 401 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 271 farms in 1992 to 243 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

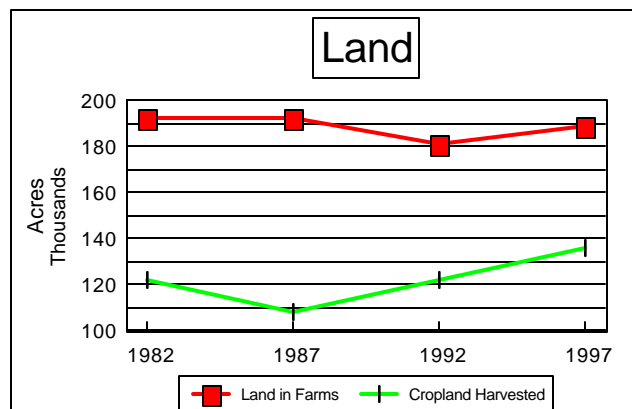
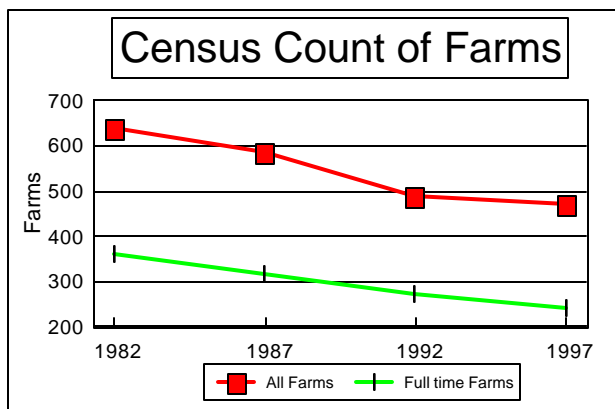
Increased 21 percent to \$43,384,000 in 1997.

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 26 percent from \$73,169 in 1992 to \$92,110 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	43,384	60	92	1,347	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	34,602	50	92	834	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	8,782	64	92	1,963	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Corn for grain	17,908	45	92	379	2,582
Soybeans	14,306	47	92	427	2,136
Hogs and pigs	3,916	59	92	616	2,976
Dairy products	2,444	29	91	966	2,563
Cattle and calves	2,374	48	92	2,035	3,063
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	34,298	61	92	654	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	5,055	43	92	2,162	3,063
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	18	55	594	1,593
Sheep and lambs sold	142	72	91	1,871	2,765
All goats sold	66	22	87	1,211	2,686
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs inventory	25,025	50	92	512	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	9,518	39	92	2,190	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	444	56	92	1,775	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	343	55	92	2,070	3,066
Sheep and lamb inventory	183	76	91	1,907	2,864
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	66,914	40	92	386	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	55,717	44	92	468	2,144
Wheat-acres	8,599	15	92	826	2,612
Hay crops-acres	6,085	41	92	2,140	3,061
Popcorn-acres	707	24	72	113	534

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	192	192	
\$10,000 or more .....	279	299	-7
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	35,997	27,026	33
Average per farm .....dollars..	76,427	55,043	39
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	9,184	9,500	-3
Average per farm .....dollars..	19,499	19,349	1
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	388	401	-3
Partnership or corporation .....	80	87	-8
Other .....	3	3	
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	243	271	-10
Other .....	228	220	4
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	440	472	-7
Female .....	31	19	63
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	471	491	-4
Black and other races .....			
Average age of operator .....	52.6	53.1	-1

(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.