

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Indiana Agricultural Statistics Service



RIPLEY INDIANA

Land in farms

Decreased 3 percent from 164,025 acres in 1992 to 159,460 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 14 percent from 170 acres in 1992 to 194 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 17 percent from 425 farms in 1992 to 354 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

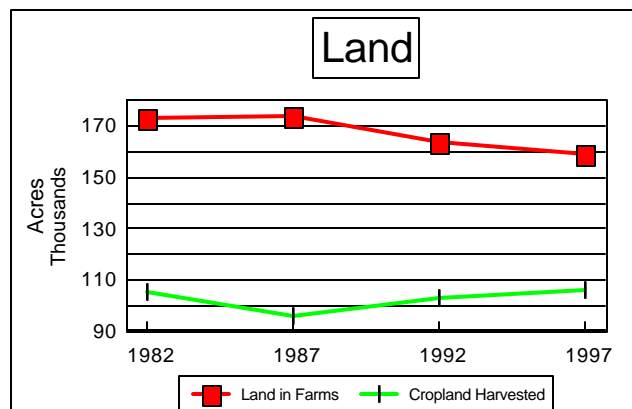
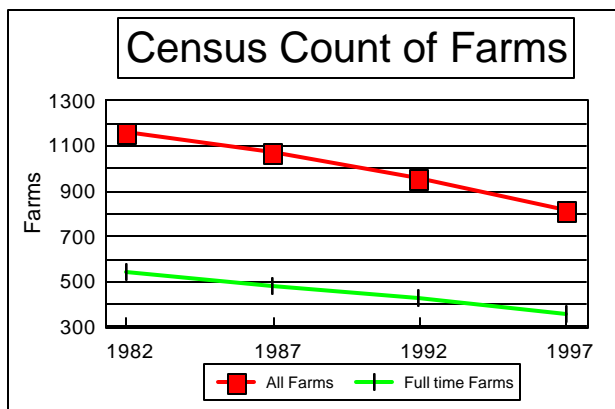
Increased 52 percent to \$56,909,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 47 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 53 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 78 percent from \$38,908 in 1992 to \$69,317 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	56,909	42	92	1,049	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	30,195	19	92	873	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	26,714	60	92	1,041	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	21,603	1	92	360	3,063
Soybeans	10,648	59	92	521	2,136
Corn for grain	9,881	63	92	559	2,582
Hogs and pigs	6,286	40	92	454	2,976
Nursery and greenhouse crops	3,345	8	92	526	2,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	60,310	42	92	468	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	38,189	2	92	452	3,063
Turkeys sold	(D)	24	50	388	1,353
Sheep and lambs sold	529	34	91	1,204	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	103	21	92	890	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	33,316	42	92	427	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	15,012	20	92	1,802	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,014	36	92	1,194	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	875	22	91	1,051	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	426	41	92	1,807	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Corn for grain-acres	48,345	62	92	522	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	45,078	57	92	550	2,144
Hay crops-acres	8,829	30	92	1,827	3,061
Wheat-acres	5,292	33	92	1,031	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	1,499	22	92	837	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	403	488	-17
\$10,000 or more	418	475	-12
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	50,662	32,355	57
Average per farmdollars..	61,708	33,633	83
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	4,386	5,358	-18
Average per farmdollars..	5,342	5,569	-4
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	712	826	-14
Partnership or corporation	105	133	-21
Other	4	4	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	354	425	-17
Other	467	538	-13
Operators by sex:			
Male	777	912	-15
Female	44	51	-14
Operators by race:			
White	820	962	-15
Black and other races	1	1	
Average age of operator	53.0	51.3	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.