

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Indiana Agricultural Statistics Service



SWITZERLAND INDIANA

Land in farms

Decreased 14 percent from 79,235 acres in 1992 to 67,881 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 3 percent from 121 acres in 1992 to 125 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 27 percent from 264 farms in 1992 to 194 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

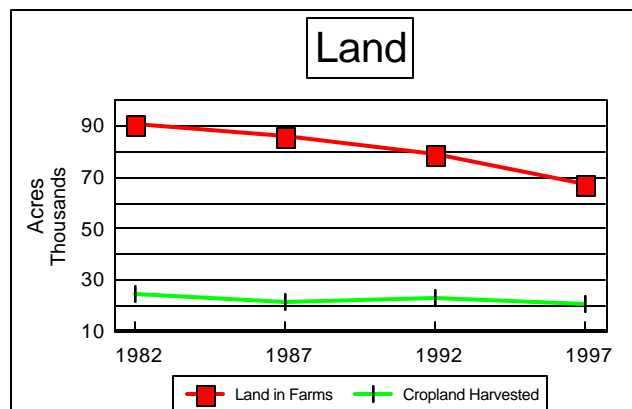
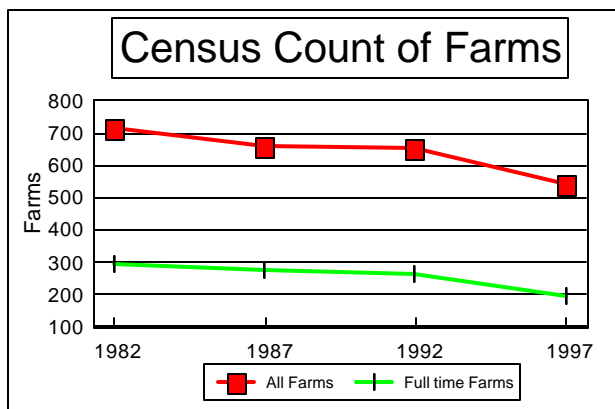
Increased 1 percent to \$13,331,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 70 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 30 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 22 percent from \$20,159 in 1992 to \$24,641 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	13,331	84	92	2,363	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	9,355	83	92	1,801	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	3,976	81	92	2,466	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Tobacco	6,291	2	37	137	580
Hogs and pigs	(D)	77	92	890	2,976
Cattle and calves	1,192	72	92	2,450	3,063
Dairy products	1,159	50	91	1,340	2,563
Corn for grain	1,116	88	92	1,300	2,582
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	79	92	987	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	3,385	64	92	2,419	3,063
All goats sold	(D)	1	87	133	2,686
Sheep and lambs sold	103	81	91	2,006	2,765
Rabbits and their pelts sold	67	30	55	912	1,593
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	7,809	52	92	2,340	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	79	92	979	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	462	52	92	1,745	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	350	53	92	2,036	3,066
Broiler inventory	(D)	17	77	1,130	2,620
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	9,503	28	92	1,764	3,061
Soybeans for beans-acres	4,478	88	92	1,232	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	4,304	88	92	1,386	2,691
Tobacco-acres	1,806	2	37	137	583
Corn for silage-acres	470	65	92	1,457	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	303	419	-28
\$10,000 or more	238	235	1
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	9,260	11,213	-17
Average per farmdollars..	17,116	17,172	-0
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	3,392	2,480	37
Average per farmdollars..	6,270	3,797	65
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	496	577	-14
Partnership or corporation	45	75	-40
Other	-	2	-100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	194	264	-27
Other	347	390	-11
Operators by sex:			
Male	500	613	-18
Female	41	41	
Operators by race:			
White	539	651	-17
Black and other races	2	3	-33
Average age of operator	52.7	53.0	-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.