

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Indiana Agricultural Statistics Service



## UNION INDIANA

### Land in farms

Increased 3 percent from 80,069 acres in 1992 to 82,500 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 3 percent from 299 acres in 1992 to 308 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 12 percent from 170 farms in 1992 to 150 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

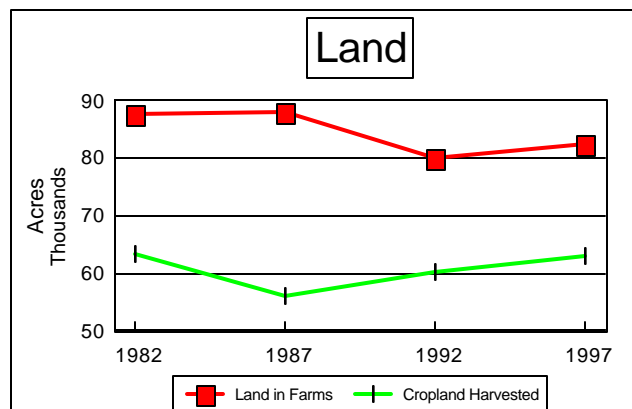
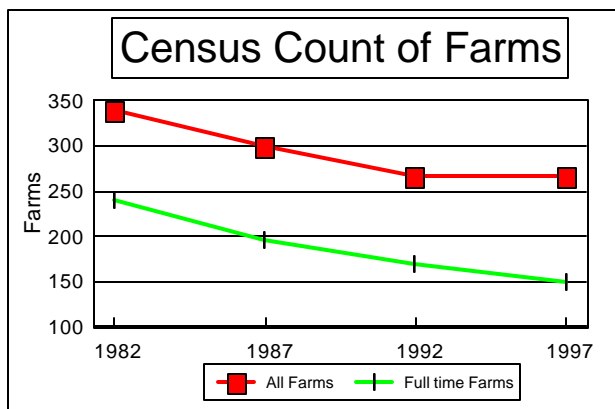
Increased 9 percent to \$25,709,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 69 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 31 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 9 percent from \$87,725 in 1992 to \$95,929 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	25,709	72	92	1,894	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	17,703	72	92	1,360	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	8,006	68	92	2,041	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Corn for grain	9,823	65	92	563	2,582
Soybeans	7,122	70	92	647	2,136
Hogs and pigs	5,316	48	92	517	2,976
Cattle and calves	1,413	66	92	2,371	3,063
Dairy products	1,243	48	91	1,305	2,563
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	49,974	46	92	521	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	2,358	74	92	2,595	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	136	73	91	1,890	2,765
All goats sold	(D)	75	87	2,326	2,686
Horses and ponies sold	7	86	92	2,819	3,015
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs inventory	28,912	43	92	463	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	4,259	76	92	2,644	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	180	77	91	1,914	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	144	84	92	2,740	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	82	92	2,565	3,002
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	33,895	69	92	633	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	24,261	76	92	740	2,144
Hay crops-acres	3,223	77	92	2,540	3,061
Wheat-acres	2,517	73	92	1,336	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	326	74	92	1,632	2,473

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 .....	81	66	23
\$10,000 or more .....	187	202	-7
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	17,617	18,164	-3
Average per farm .....dollars..	65,979	68,028	-3
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	6,515	6,729	-3
Average per farm .....dollars..	24,401	25,201	-3
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	226	219	3
Partnership or corporation .....	42	49	-14
Other .....			
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	150	170	-12
Other .....	118	98	20
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	262	263	-0
Female .....	6	5	20
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	267	268	-0
Black and other races .....	1	-	
Average age of operator .....	51.1	49.2	4

(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.