

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Fountain, Indiana

### Number of farms

487 farms in 2002, 614 farms in 1997, down 21 percent.

### Land in farms

205,412 acres in 2002, 203,491 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

### Average size of farm

422 acres in 2002, 331 acres in 1997, up 27 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$52,335,000 in 2002, \$48,828,000 in 1997, up 7 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$47,003,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$5,331,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

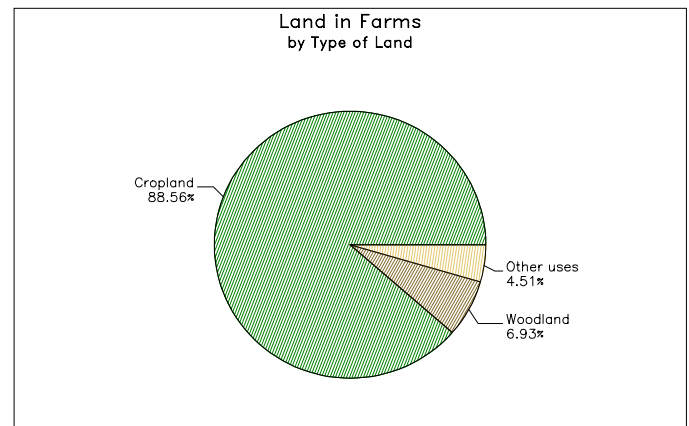
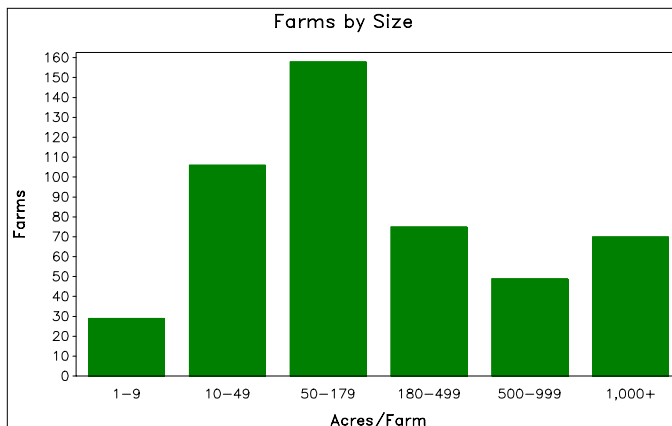
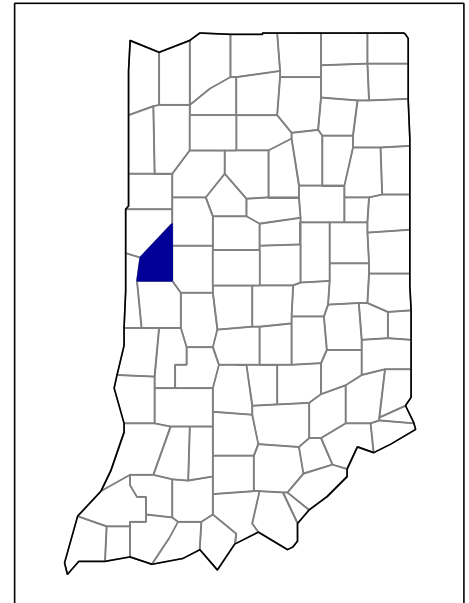
\$107,464 in 2002, \$79,524 in 1997, up 35 percent.

### Government Payments

\$2,957,000 in 2002, \$2,746,000 in 1997, up 8 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$11,688 in 2002, \$6,682 in 1997, up 75 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 92 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	52,335	40	92	1,101	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	47,003	21	92	512	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,331	72	92	2,313	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	45,288	17	92	291	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	35	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	67	70	88	1,916	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	86	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	73	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	601	27	92	1,732	3,046
Poultry and eggs	3	78	91	2,439	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,324	45	92	2,064	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	236	77	87	1,947	2,493
Hogs and pigs	2,647	57	92	646	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	11	75	92	2,237	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	111	44	91	1,680	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	33	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(Z)	85	88	2,625	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	11,226	60	92	682	2,926
Cattle and calves	6,572	50	92	2,369	3,059
Horses and ponies	561	64	92	2,026	3,065
Sheep and lambs	264	63	92	1,833	2,867
All Goats	185	66	92	1,874	2,971
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Soybeans	86,229	24	92	334	2,076
Corn for grain	81,263	21	92	287	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	5,286	44	92	2,276	3,059
All Wheat for grain	1,372	69	92	1,433	2,517
Apples	(D)	5	83	(D)	2,173

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	90
\$1,000 to \$2,499	33
\$2,500 to \$4,999	49
\$5,000 to \$9,999	49
\$10,000 to \$19,999	44
\$20,000 to \$24,999	14
\$25,000 to \$39,999	19
\$40,000 to \$49,999	14
\$50,000 to \$99,999	47
\$100,000 to \$249,999	54
\$250,000 to \$499,999	51
\$500,000 or more	23
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	40,780
Average per farm (\$)	83,394
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	15,738
Average per farm (\$)	32,185

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	323
Other	164
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	453
Female	34
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.1
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	662
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	4
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	1
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.