

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Gibson, Indiana

Number of farms

557 farms in 2002, 646 farms in 1997, down 14 percent.

Land in farms

210,989 acres in 2002, 236,232 acres in 1997, down 11 percent.

Average size of farm

379 acres in 2002, 366 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$54,489,000 in 2002, \$69,899,000 in 1997, down 22 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$44,292,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$10,197,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

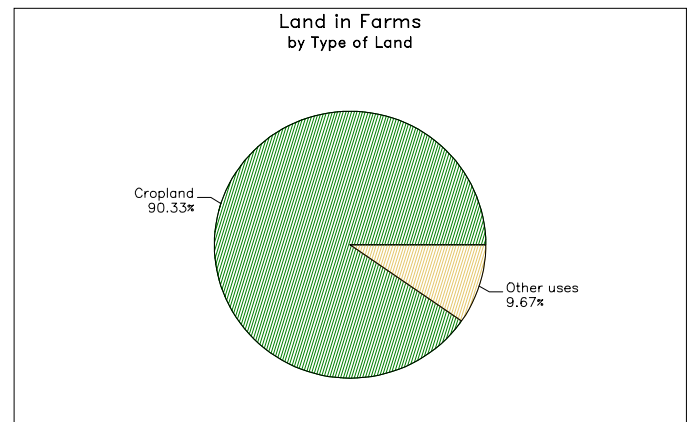
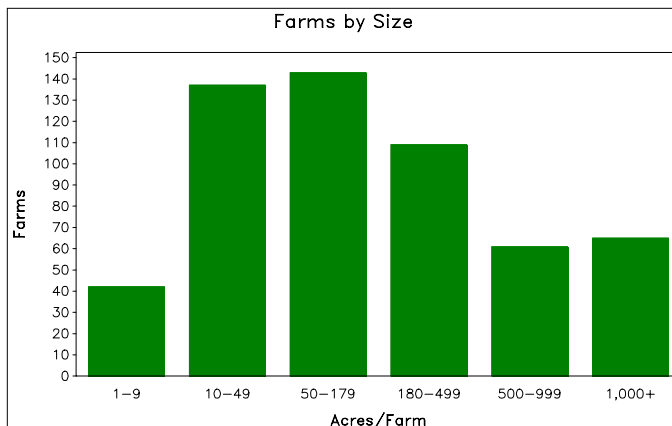
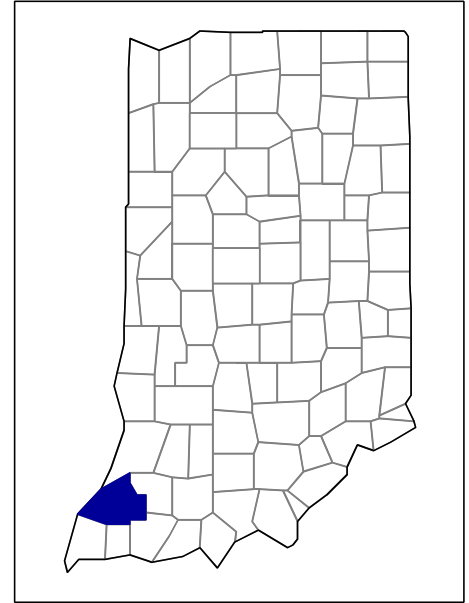
\$97,826 in 2002, \$108,203 in 1997, down 10 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,837,000 in 2002, \$3,055,000 in 1997, down 7 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,363 in 2002, \$7,362 in 1997, up 27 percent.



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United States Department of Agriculture, Indiana Agricultural Statistics Service**

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

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	54,489	36	92	1,056	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	44,292	25	92	549	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	10,197	51	92	1,872	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	40,242	28	92	342	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	35	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	88	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	86	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,219	23	91	754	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	73	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	303	61	92	2,298	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	2,138	34	87	988	2,493
Hogs and pigs	5,100	39	92	473	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	12	74	92	2,207	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	81	55	91	1,966	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	33	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	35	20	88	1,285	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	(D)	15	77	(D)	2,328
Hogs and pigs	27,463	43	92	437	2,926
Cattle and calves	5,045	63	92	2,517	3,059
Colonies of bees	564	5	79	586	2,392
Horses and ponies	555	65	92	2,034	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	85,036	17	92	274	2,592
Soybeans	84,421	27	92	344	2,076
All Wheat for grain	19,020	3	92	467	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	4,005	60	92	2,433	3,059
Sorghum for grain	1,034	3	30	460	1,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	119	Farming	359
\$1,000 to \$2,499	34	Other	198
\$2,500 to \$4,999	39		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	51	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	57	Male	535
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12	Female	22
\$25,000 to \$39,999	33		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	15	Average age of principal operator (years)	52.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	47		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	84	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	42	White	776
\$500,000 or more	24	Black or African American	17
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	43,228	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Average per farm (\$)	77,748	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	15,569	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	28,001	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	5

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

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.