



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

St. Joseph, Indiana

Number of farms

855 farms in 2002, 771 farms in 1997, up 11 percent.

Land in farms

165,143 acres in 2002, 158,912 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

Average size of farm

193 acres in 2002, 206 acres in 1997, down 6 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$50,390,000 in 2002, \$56,520,000 in 1997, down 11 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$37,623,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$12,767,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

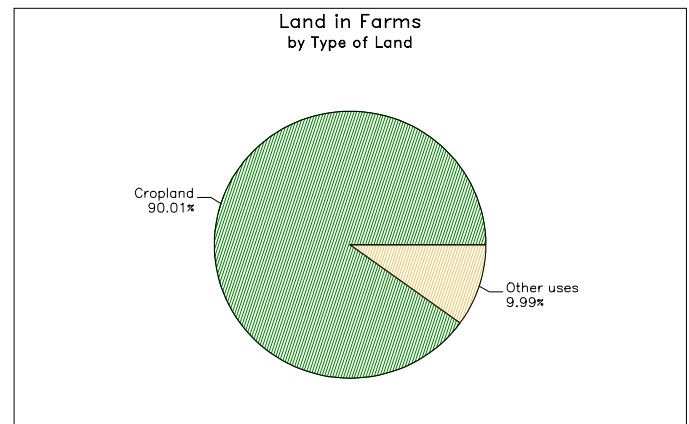
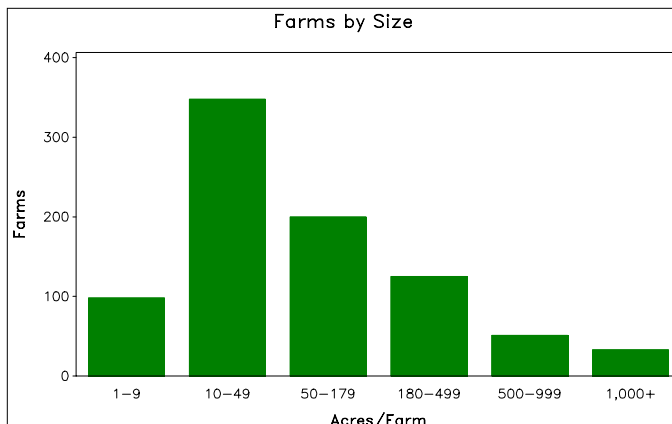
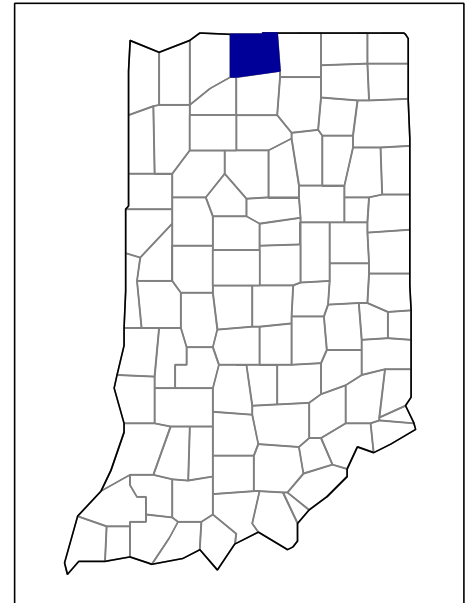
\$58,936 in 2002, \$73,307 in 1997, down 20 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,546,000 in 2002, \$2,231,000 in 1997, up 14 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$6,826 in 2002, \$5,826 in 1997, up 17 percent.



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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	50,390	44	92	1,159	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	37,623	39	92	685	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	12,767	43	92	1,669	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	31,059	42	92	469	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	2,643	21	91	690	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	83	9	73	487	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,913	2	92	675	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	3,184	28	87	810	2,493
Hogs and pigs	4,327	47	92	515	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	56	27	92	1,171	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	284	14	91	782	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	78	13	88	965	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	13	92	(D)	2,983
Hogs and pigs	27,592	42	92	435	2,926
Cattle and calves	5,932	56	92	2,433	3,059
Pheasants	(D)	1	36	(D)	1,541
Colonies of bees	1,137	2	79	410	2,392
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	71,339	29	92	342	2,592
Soybeans	57,160	53	92	509	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,619	34	92	2,107	3,059
Mint for oil	1,970	2	8	17	87
All Wheat for grain	1,759	59	92	1,337	2,517

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	235
\$1,000 to \$2,499	106
\$2,500 to \$4,999	80
\$5,000 to \$9,999	73
\$10,000 to \$19,999	76
\$20,000 to \$24,999	22
\$25,000 to \$39,999	52
\$40,000 to \$49,999	24
\$50,000 to \$99,999	66
\$100,000 to \$249,999	74
\$250,000 to \$499,999	28
\$500,000 or more	19
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	49,486
Average per farm (\$)	58,014
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	3,280
Average per farm (\$)	3,846

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	484
Other	371
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	781
Female	74
Average age of principal operator (years)	53.9
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,238
Black or African American	4
American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	3
More than one race	1
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	6

(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.