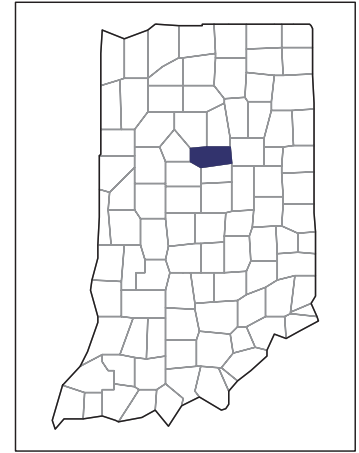


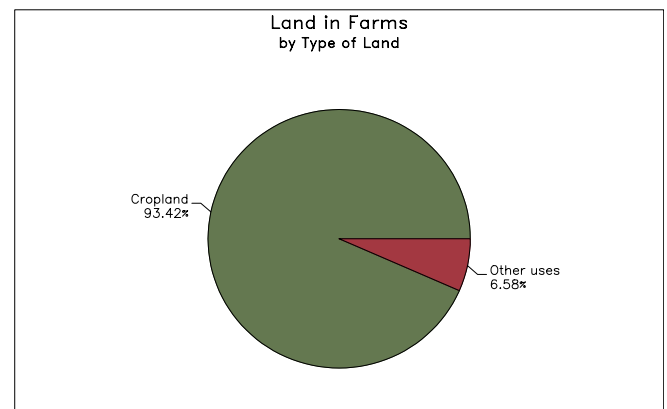
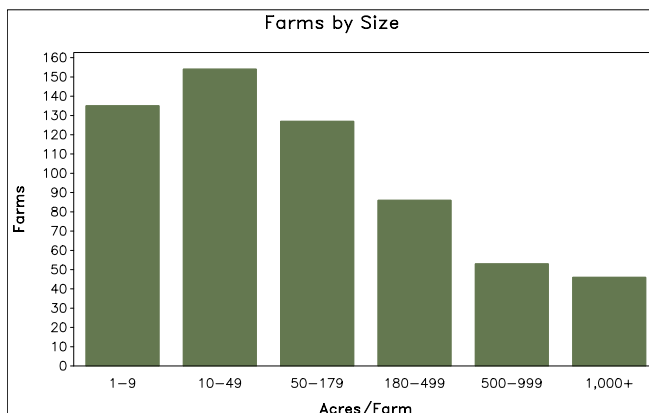
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County Profile

Howard County Indiana



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	601	536	+ 12
Land in Farms	162,281 acres	156,160 acres	+ 4
Average Size of Farm	270 acres	291 acres	- 7
Market Value of Products Sold	\$95,585,000	\$56,794,000	+ 68
Crop Sales \$66,933,000 (70 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$28,653,000 (30 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$159,044	\$105,958	+ 50
Government Payments	\$3,371,000	\$2,829,000	+ 19
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$8,183	\$10,402	- 21



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Howard County – Indiana

Ranked items among the 92 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

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	95,585	37	92	926	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	66,933	37	92	645	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	28,653	31	92	1,224	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	65,339	36	92	450	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	22	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	90	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	16	88	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	88	92	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	69	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	482	45	92	2,186	3,054
Poultry and eggs	304	43	92	1,184	3,020
Cattle and calves	1,356	71	92	2,507	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,333	51	89	1,250	2,493
Hogs and pigs	25,488	11	92	180	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	88	29	92	1,208	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	45	65	92	2,261	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	23	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	38	34	91	1,482	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	74,197	42	92	438	2,634
Soybeans for beans	64,909	33	92	392	2,039
Wheat for grain, all	2,716	43	92	1,235	2,481
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,591	78	92	2,644	3,060
Oats for grain	469	5	67	680	1,957
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	77,288	15	92	209	2,958
Layers	13,940	27	92	684	3,024
Cattle and calves	2,949	77	92	2,670	3,060
Quail	750	10	32	444	1,386
Goats, all	549	33	92	1,357	3,023

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	118	Farming	315
\$1,000 to \$2,499	34	Other	286
\$2,500 to \$4,999	59	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	52	Male	544
\$10,000 to \$19,999	40	Female	57
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	37	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	20	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	60	Asian	5
\$100,000 to \$249,999	75	Black or African American	5
\$250,000 to \$499,999	45	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	49	White	909
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	78,284	More than one race	7
Average per farm (\$)	130,257	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	15
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	23,284		
Average per farm (\$)	38,741		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

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.