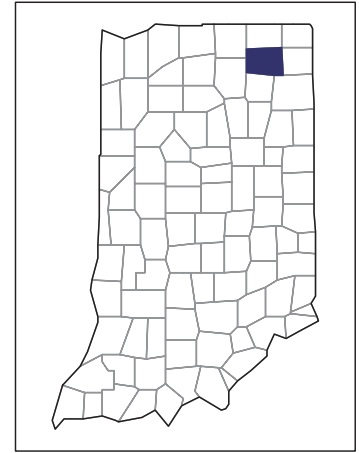


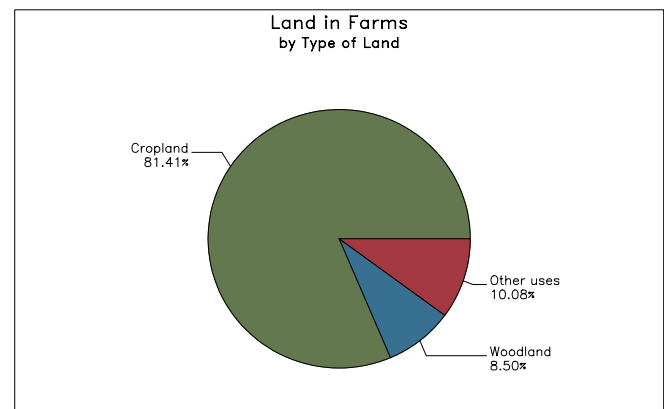
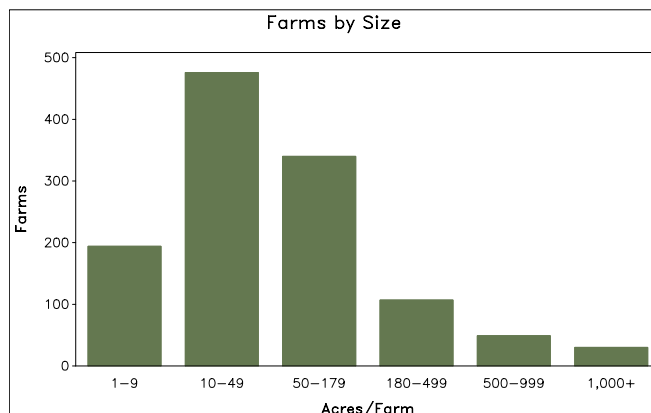
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Noble County Indiana



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	1,196	1,029	+ 16
Land in Farms	159,860 acres	173,298 acres	- 8
Average Size of Farm	134 acres	168 acres	- 20
Market Value of Products Sold	\$79,975,000	\$50,641,000	+ 58
Crop Sales \$44,454,000 (56 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$35,521,000 (44 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$66,869	\$49,214	+ 36
Government Payments	\$3,193,000	\$3,075,000	+ 4
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$4,179	\$5,715	- 27



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County Profile

Noble 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	79,975	45	92	1,103	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	44,454	61	92	939	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	35,521	25	92	1,036	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	41,495	60	92	667	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	22	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	143	49	90	1,664	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	1,072	3	88	445	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	320	55	92	1,620	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	2	64	69	1,436	1,710
Other crops and hay	1,422	6	92	1,186	3,054
Poultry and eggs	7,349	24	92	630	3,020
Cattle and calves	5,041	26	92	1,701	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	11,430	9	89	431	2,493
Hogs and pigs	10,929	32	92	348	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	134	12	92	877	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	17	23	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	6	91	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	56,404	57	92	547	2,634
Soybeans for beans	43,768	56	92	560	2,039
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,819	11	92	1,735	3,060
Wheat for grain, all	3,574	31	92	1,134	2,481
Corn for silage	3,073	9	92	482	2,263
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Ducks	116,786	4	87	12	2,733
Hogs and pigs	55,403	22	92	276	2,958
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	14	82	(D)	2,627
Layers	42,268	21	92	520	3,024
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	12	76	631	2,476

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	524	Farming	380
\$1,000 to \$2,499	75	Other	816
\$2,500 to \$4,999	80	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	80	Male	1,070
\$10,000 to \$19,999	89	Female	126
\$20,000 to \$24,999	29	Average age of principal operator (years)	52.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	56	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	24	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	95	Asian	1
\$100,000 to \$249,999	73	Black or African American	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	39	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	32	White	1,799
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	71,219	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	59,548	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	25
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	14,606		
Average per farm (\$)	12,212		

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.