

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Newton, Indiana

### Number of farms

344 farms in 2002, 416 farms in 1997, down 17 percent.

### Land in farms

181,557 acres in 2002, 208,982 acres in 1997, down 13 percent.

### Average size of farm

528 acres in 2002, 502 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$119,237,000 in 2002, \$85,315,000 in 1997, up 40 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$47,550,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$71,686,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

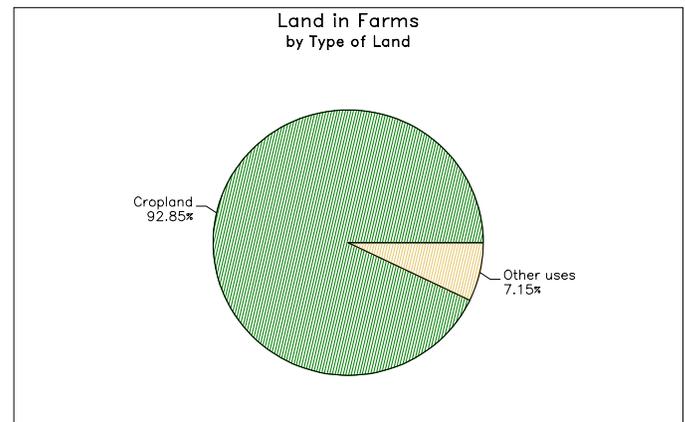
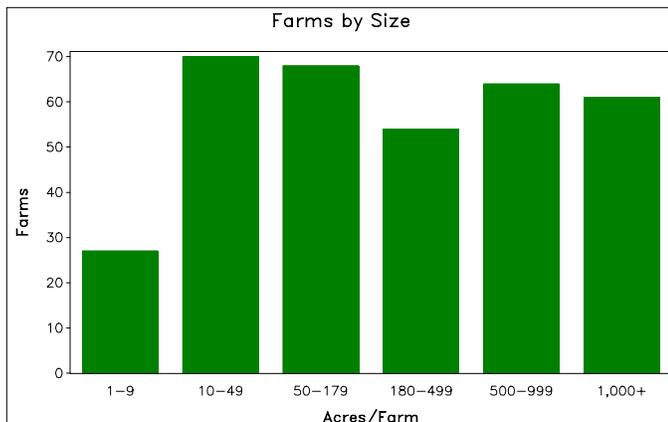
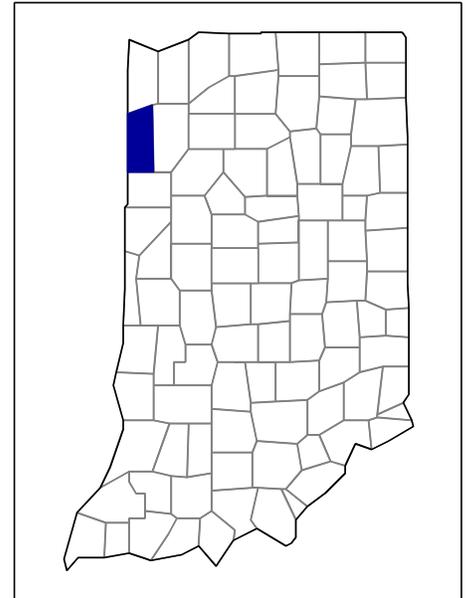
\$346,619 in 2002, \$205,084 in 1997, up 69 percent.

### Government Payments

\$2,941,000 in 2002, \$2,585,000 in 1997, up 14 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$12,730 in 2002, \$8,449 in 1997, up 51 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	119,237	4	92	382	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	47,550	20	92	505	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	71,686	4	92	346	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	35	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	147	50	88	1,515	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	86	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	73	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	287	65	92	2,330	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,024	55	92	2,161	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	13	68	92	2,163	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	14	89	91	2,841	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	88	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	7	92	(D)	2,983
Hogs and pigs	54,238	22	92	270	2,926
Cattle and calves	15,963	14	92	1,680	3,059
Horses and ponies	285	87	92	2,645	3,065
Sheep and lambs	259	64	92	1,842	2,867
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	84,648	18	92	277	2,592
Soybeans	71,258	38	92	415	2,076
Corn for silage	5,851	2	91	312	2,307
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	1,598	86	92	2,788	3,059
All Wheat for grain	1,390	66	92	1,426	2,517

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	64
\$1,000 to \$2,499	13
\$2,500 to \$4,999	14
\$5,000 to \$9,999	18
\$10,000 to \$19,999	27
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	15
\$40,000 to \$49,999	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	36
\$100,000 to \$249,999	60
\$250,000 to \$499,999	55
\$500,000 or more	25
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	106,729
Average per farm (\$)	312,073
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	16,966
Average per farm (\$)	49,607

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	227
Other	117
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	325
Female	19
Average age of principal operator (years)	52.2
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	463
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	8

(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.