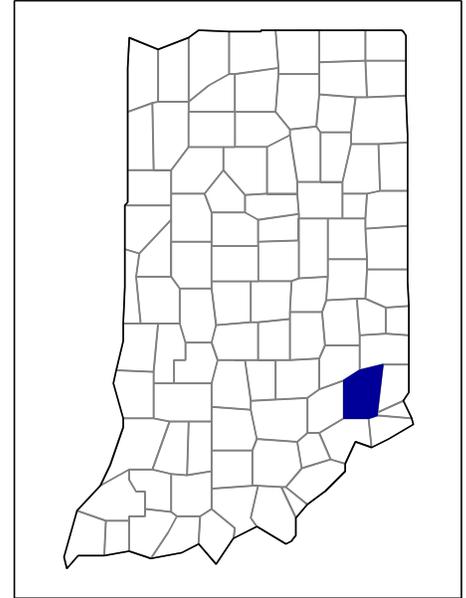


# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Ripley, Indiana



### Number of farms

904 farms in 2002, 935 farms in 1997, down 3 percent.

### Land in farms

173,082 acres in 2002, 165,073 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

### Average size of farm

191 acres in 2002, 177 acres in 1997, up 8 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$44,088,000 in 2002, \$59,468,000 in 1997, down 26 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$31,311,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$12,777,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

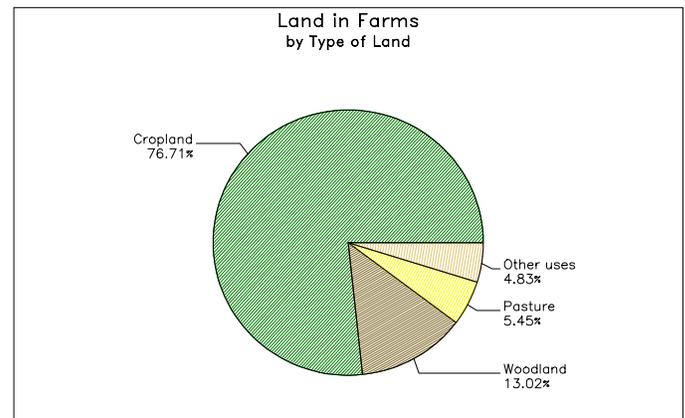
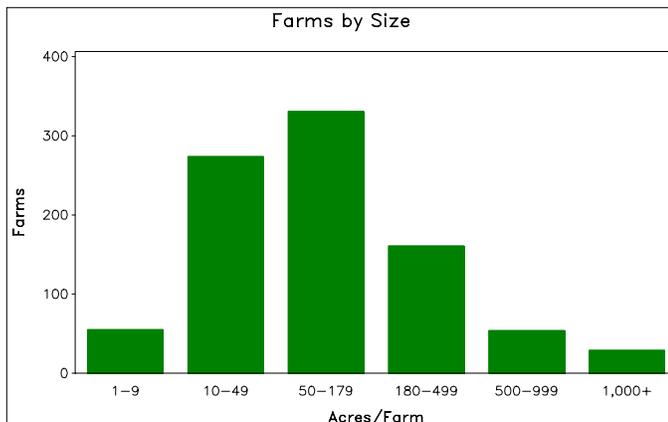
\$48,770 in 2002, \$63,602 in 1997, down 23 percent.

### Government Payments

\$2,265,000 in 2002, \$1,933,000 in 1997, up 17 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,255 in 2002, \$4,053 in 1997, up 30 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	44,088	52	92	1,317	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	31,311	51	92	831	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	12,777	42	92	1,668	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	19,723	62	92	681	2,871
Tobacco	703	6	35	293	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	867	26	88	806	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	86	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	9,578	4	91	271	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	73	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	419	46	92	2,058	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	3,561	29	92	1,781	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,794	37	87	1,072	2,493
Hogs and pigs	7,139	29	92	384	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	136	36	91	1,478	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	33	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	88	-	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	37,767	29	92	349	2,926
Cattle and calves	12,559	23	92	1,872	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	969	41	92	1,418	2,983
Horses and ponies	852	40	92	1,497	3,065
Sheep and lambs	687	37	92	1,226	2,867
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Soybeans	67,582	44	92	442	2,076
Corn for grain	32,295	68	92	638	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,357	23	92	1,840	3,059
All Wheat for grain	2,112	48	92	1,272	2,517
Corn for silage	1,370	29	91	947	2,307

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	212
\$1,000 to \$2,499	118
\$2,500 to \$4,999	95
\$5,000 to \$9,999	116
\$10,000 to \$19,999	103
\$20,000 to \$24,999	32
\$25,000 to \$39,999	49
\$40,000 to \$49,999	29
\$50,000 to \$99,999	60
\$100,000 to \$249,999	54
\$250,000 to \$499,999	22
\$500,000 or more	14
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	36,131
Average per farm (\$)	40,057
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	9,781
Average per farm (\$)	10,843

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	522
Other	382
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	828
Female	76
Average age of principal operator (years)	53.1
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	1,261
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	1
More than one race	1
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	11

(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.