



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Spencer, Indiana

Number of farms

593 farms in 2002, 711 farms in 1997, down 17 percent.

Land in farms

154,895 acres in 2002, 173,776 acres in 1997, down 11 percent.

Average size of farm

261 acres in 2002, 244 acres in 1997, up 7 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$34,756,000 in 2002, \$52,005,000 in 1997, down 33 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$20,699,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$14,057,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

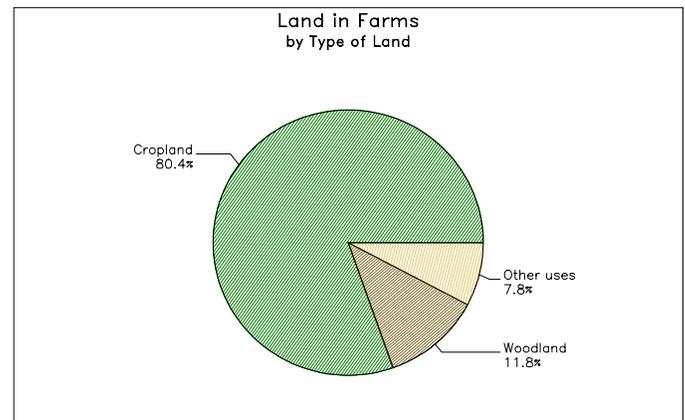
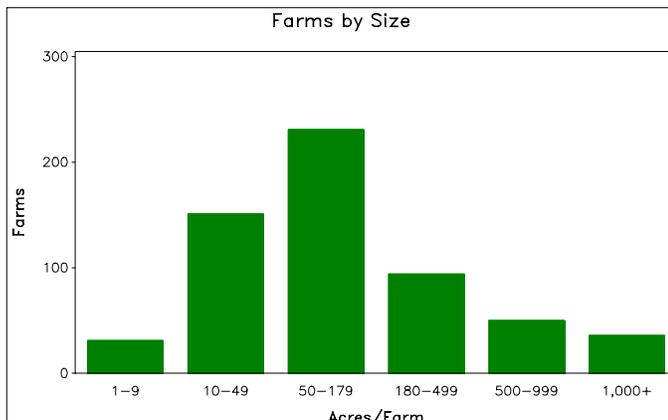
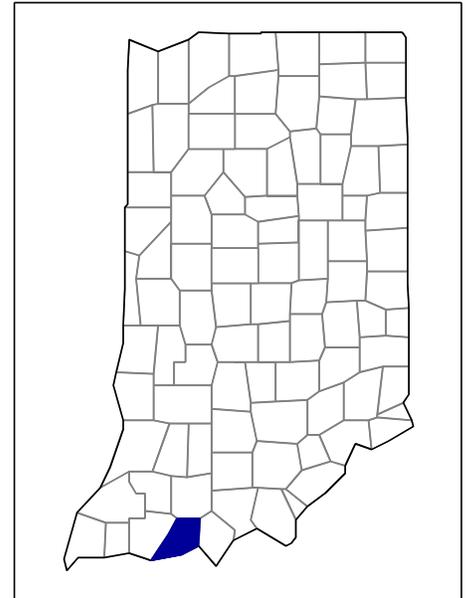
\$58,611 in 2002, \$73,144 in 1997, down 20 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,925,000 in 2002, \$1,726,000 in 1997, up 12 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$6,779 in 2002, \$5,002 in 1997, up 36 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	34,756	62	92	1,575	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	20,699	62	92	1,141	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	14,057	39	92	1,593	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	18,560	65	92	709	2,871
Tobacco	525	10	35	316	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	813	45	91	1,187	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	73	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	333	58	92	2,229	3,046
Poultry and eggs	3,117	25	91	728	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,538	40	92	2,010	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	6,498	32	92	407	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	13	69	92	2,174	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	31	83	91	2,596	3,014
Aquaculture	43	8	33	721	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	88	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	80,502	10	77	176	2,328
Hogs and pigs	34,938	35	92	367	2,926
Cattle and calves	12,780	22	92	1,860	3,059
Quail	(D)	1	49	(D)	1,412
Layers 20 weeks old and older ³	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	51,264	56	92	490	2,592
Soybeans	49,676	60	92	556	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	10,461	17	92	1,724	3,059
All Wheat for grain	4,285	16	92	982	2,517
Corn for silage	1,167	34	91	1,032	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	134	Farming	311
\$1,000 to \$2,499	59	Other	282
\$2,500 to \$4,999	49	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	74	Male	554
\$10,000 to \$19,999	64	Female	39
\$20,000 to \$24,999	32	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	30	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13	White	837
\$50,000 to \$99,999	53	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	46	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	25	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	14	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	36,578	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	61,893	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	1
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,978		
Average per farm (\$)	3,347		

(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.

³ Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.