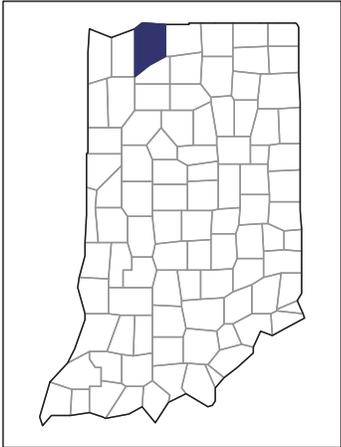


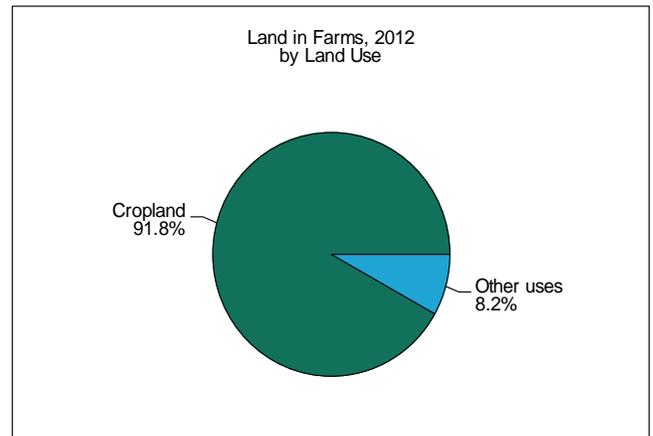
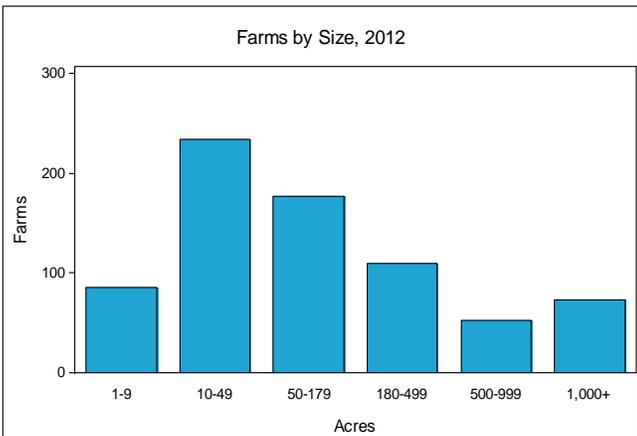
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



LaPorte County Indiana

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	731	869	- 16
Land in Farms	227,865 acres	256,159 acres	- 11
Average Size of Farm	312 acres	295 acres	+ 6
Market Value of Products Sold	\$223,112,000	\$152,281,000	+ 47
Crop Sales \$179,613,000 (81 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$43,499,000 (19 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$305,215	\$175,238	+ 74
Government Payments	\$4,036,000	\$5,128,000	- 21
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$9,453	\$9,881	- 4





LaPorte County – Indiana

Ranked items among the 92 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	223,112	13	92	460	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	179,613	3	92	278	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	43,499	25	92	1,003	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	165,211	5	92	222	2,926
Tobacco	(D)	25	32	(D)	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	9,973	2	91	215	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	1,537	2	85	391	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,609	17	89	857	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	3	62	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,124	17	92	1,821	3,049
Poultry and eggs	17	67	92	2,152	3,013
Cattle and calves	9,219	14	92	1,373	3,056
Milk from cows	22,462	9	84	309	2,038
Hogs and pigs	11,431	40	92	392	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	57	58	92	1,823	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	98	40	91	1,847	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	6	20	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	90	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	113,798	9	92	234	2,638
Soybeans for beans	71,513	29	92	439	2,162
Wheat for grain, all	6,160	9	92	887	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	6,160	9	92	805	2,480
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,085	31	92	2,077	3,057
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	169,248	5	92	103	2,889
Cattle and calves	15,460	13	92	1,567	3,063
Layers	1,045	57	92	1,828	3,040
Horses and ponies	846	30	92	1,410	3,072
Goats, all	399	38	92	1,503	2,996

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	187	Farming	376
\$1,000 to \$2,499	65	Other	355
\$2,500 to \$4,999	30		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	42	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	37	Male	615
\$20,000 to \$24,999	16	Female	116
\$25,000 to \$39,999	29		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	14	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	64		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	90	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	56	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$500,000 or more	101	Asian	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	161,830	Black or African American	-
Average per farm (\$)	221,381	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	1,087
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	75,402	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	103,149	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	9

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

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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.