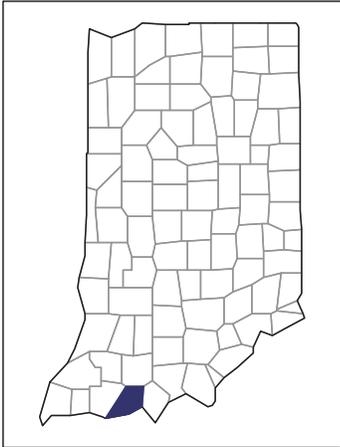


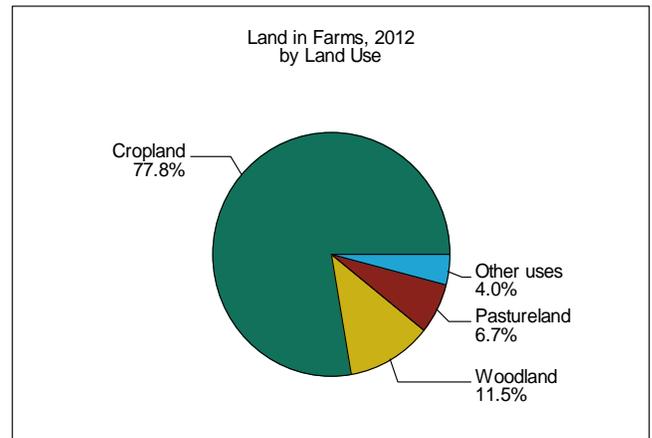
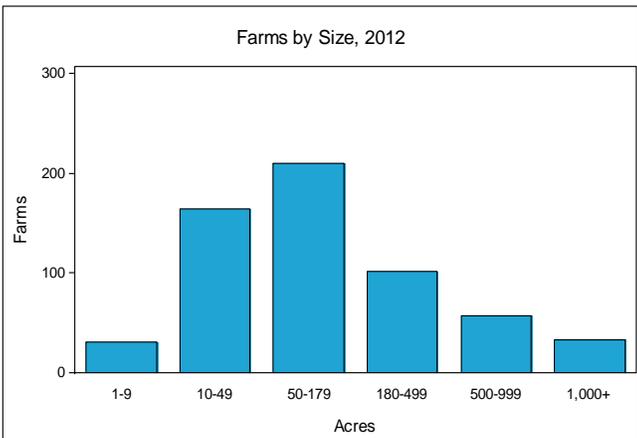
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Spencer County Indiana

|  | 2012          | 2007          | % change |
|--|---------------|---------------|----------|
| <b>Number of Farms</b>                     | 597           | 632           | - 6      |
| <b>Land in Farms</b>                       | 170,406 acres | 150,244 acres | + 13     |
| <b>Average Size of Farm</b>                | 285 acres     | 238 acres     | + 20     |
| <b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>       | \$91,927,000  | \$61,604,000  | + 49     |
| Crop Sales \$60,270,000 (66 percent)       |               |               |          |
| Livestock Sales \$31,657,000 (34 percent)  |               |               |          |
| <b>Average Per Farm</b>                    | \$153,982     | \$97,474      | + 58     |
| <b>Government Payments</b>                 | \$2,593,000   | \$2,302,000   | + 13     |
| <b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b> | \$6,547       | \$5,416       | + 21     |





## Spencer County – Indiana

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

| 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                             | 91,927   | 55         | 92                    | 1,244     | 3,077                 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse                       | 60,270   | 58         | 92                    | 1,023     | 3,072                 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products                       | 31,657   | 35         | 92                    | 1,255     | 3,076                 |
| <b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>                    |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas                             | 58,722   | 57         | 92                    | 741       | 2,926                 |
| Tobacco   | 341      | 5          | 32                    | 242       | 436                   |
| Cotton and cottonseed   | -        | -          | -                     | -         | 635                   |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes                      | 73       | 76         | 91                    | 1,994     | 2,802                 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries  | (D)      | (D)        | 85                    | (D)       | 2,724                 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod                            | 401      | 43         | 89                    | 1,457     | 2,678                 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops                    | (D)      | 44         | 62                    | (D)       | 1,530                 |
| Other crops and hay   | (D)      | (D)        | 92                    | (D)       | 3,049                 |
| Poultry and eggs  | 12,618   | 23         | 92                    | 553       | 3,013                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 4,454    | 36         | 92                    | 1,901     | 3,056                 |
| Milk from cows  | 1,239    | 49         | 84                    | 1,180     | 2,038                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 13,178   | 33         | 92                    | 359       | 2,827                 |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk                                  | 83       | 49         | 92                    | 1,519     | 2,988                 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys                            | (D)      | (D)        | 91                    | (D)       | 3,011                 |
| Aquaculture   | (D)      | 15         | 20                    | (D)       | 1,366                 |
| Other animals and other animal products                               | 50       | 21         | 90                    | 1,426     | 2,924                 |
| <b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>   |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Corn for grain  | 63,567   | 47         | 92                    | 504       | 2,638                 |
| Soybeans for beans  | 51,442   | 56         | 92                    | 591       | 2,162                 |
| Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 8,614    | 14         | 92                    | 1,771     | 3,057                 |
| Wheat for grain, all  | 3,240    | 29         | 92                    | 1,171     | 2,537                 |
| Winter wheat for grain  | 3,240    | 29         | 92                    | 1,094     | 2,480                 |
| <b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>                         |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Turkeys   | 224,900  | 7          | 87                    | 102       | 2,416                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 33,368   | 35         | 92                    | 377       | 2,889                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 10,743   | 25         | 92                    | 1,873     | 3,063                 |
| Layers  | (D)      | 27         | 92                    | (D)       | 3,040                 |
| Roosters  | (D)      | 7          | 65                    | 425       | 2,120                 |

### Other County Highlights, 2012

| Economic Characteristics                    | Quantity | Operator Characteristics  | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales:                    |          | Principal operators by primary occupation:                        |          |
| Less than \$1,000                           | 132      | Farming   | 230      |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499                          | 35       | Other   | 367      |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999                          | 52       | Principal operators by sex:                                       |          |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999                          | 63       | Male  | 562      |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999                        | 68       | Female  | 35       |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999                        | 16       | Average age of principal operator (years)                         | 55.8     |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999                        | 25       | All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :                              |          |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999                        | 11       | American Indian or Alaska Native                                  | -        |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999                        | 58       | Asian   | 4        |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999                      | 50       | Black or African American   | -        |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999                      | 40       | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander                         | -        |
| \$500,000 or more                           | 47       | White   | 852      |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)    | 76,799   | More than one race  | 7        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 128,641  | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup> | 3        |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 24,775   |   |          |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 41,499   |   |          |

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.

<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.