The maps and tables in this publication were prepared using PCensus 7.06 for MapInfo and MapInfo Professional 7.0.
3. Geographic and Historical Notes

Sources: Map from PCensus for MapInfo; Geographic Notes from Indiana Facts: Flying the Colors by John Clements, 1995.

Warrick County is located in southwestern Indiana and is bordered by the State of Kentucky and the following Indiana counties: Vanderburgh to the west, Gibson to the northwest, Pike to the north, Dubois to the northeast, and Spencer to the east. Interstate Highway 64 and State Highways 61 and 62 cross the county. Elevation is 350 to 550 feet.

Although most of the county is characterized by steep slopes, there is slightly sloping landscape in the south and regions of nearly flat land along creeks across the county. The landscape features hickory and oak trees. Parts of the county pertain to two different land resource areas: the Kentucky and Indiana Sandstone and Shale Hills and Valleys land resource area (north), the Central Mississippi Valley Wooded Slopes land resource area (south).

Warrick county is in the Central Time Zone and observes DST. Average daily temperatures are \(24\degree/42\degree\) in January and \(67\degree/89\degree\) in July. Annual precipitation is about 43 and snowfall about 10-15 inches. The first freeze occurs between October 20-25, except a bit later in the south southern quarter, October 25-30. The last freeze occurs first in the south (April 5-10), a bit later in the central region (April 10-15), and still later in the north (April 15-20). The growing season lasts 183-208 days.

Agricultural activity is mainly in corn for grain, soybeans, and livestock. Tobacco, hay and winter wheat are additional crops. Livestock include cattle/calves and hogs/pigs. Popcorn is a special crop. About a third of the land is in farms and about three-fourths of that land is in cash crops. Important natural resources include coal, common clay, construction sand and gravel, petroleum, and forestland. Water resources include lakes/reservoirs (including Scales Lake, Squaw Creek Reservoir, and Yellow Bank Lake), the Ohio River, and several streams (Big, Coles, Otter, Little Pigion, Cypress and Pigeon Creeks).

Communities include the city of Boonville, which is the county seat; and the town of Chandler, Elberfield, Lynnville, Newburgh, and Tennyson.
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Warrick County Tobacco Production & Revenue:

Source: the Strategic Development Group’s “Alternative Agricultural Strategy” (Bloomington, March 15, 2001) report, which is part of Governor Joseph E. Kernan’s “Recipient Final Reports for Office of the Commissioner of Agriculture Grant Programs” (http://www.in.gov/oca/grants/valueadd/VAFinalReports.html):

According to the most recent data available, Warrick County ranks 25th in the State for the percent of all farms that produce tobacco (0.8%). As of 1997, a total of 7 acres in Warrick County were devoted to tobacco production on 3 farms. For those 3 farms, tobacco income per farm ($NA) was not available.

Latest figures (from 1997 USDA Census):
- Rank for acres in tobacco production: 25th
- Acres in tobacco production: 7
- Number of farms producing tobacco: 3
- As a Percent of all farms: 0.8%
- Rank in IN for percent of all farms: 25th
- Tobacco income per farm producing: NA
- Percent of County’s Ave. Household Income: NA

[See appendices for more information.]