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Wells County is located in Northeastern Indiana and is bordered by the following Indiana counties: Allen to the north, Huntington to the west, Grant to the west/southwest, Blackford to the south, Jay to the south/southeast, and Adams to the east. State Highways 1 and 116 and U.S. Highway 224 cross the county. Elevation is 750 to 850 feet.

The landscape of the county is mostly nearly level, except for slightly sloping land near the largest rivers and creeks. The landscape features hickory, oak, beech, birch, and maple trees. The county pertains to the Indiana and Ohio Till Plain land resource area.

Wells county is in the Eastern Time Zone and observes DST. Average daily temperatures are \(18°/33°\) in January and \(62°/85°\) in July. Annual precipitation is about 37 and snowfall about 30-35 inches. The first freeze occurs between October 5-10, and the last freeze occurs between May 1-5 in the far southwest corner and a bit later (may 5-10) elsewhere. The growing season lasts 153-168 days.

Agricultural activity is diversified. Main crops are corn for grain, winter wheat, hay, and soybeans. Tomatoes are an important vegetable, and popcorn is a special crop. Livestock include hens/pullets, cattle/calves, milk cows, and hogs/pigs. Nearly four-fifths of the land is in farms and about four-fifths of that land is in cash crops. Important natural resources include construction sand and gravel, crushed stone, petroleum, and forestland. Water resources include lakes/reservoirs (Kunkle and Moser Lakes), the Wabash and Salamonie Rivers, and streams (Rock, Eightmile and Prairie Creeks).

Communities include the city of Bluffton, which is the county seat; and the towns of Markle (which extends into Huntington county), Ossian, Poneto, Uniondale, and Vera Cruz.

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