

# Jay County



**Farmland Coverage**  
71.54% land in farmland

**2014 Population**  
21,179 ↔

**Top Employing Industries**  
Manufacturing, Government and Government Enterprises

**County Type**  
Rural County

**Ordinance Regulates**  
CFOs

**Definition**  
Defined by ordinance as operations exceeding 200 cattle or horses, 400 sheep or swine, 5,700 fowl or ducks dry, 5,000 ducks wet

ZONING DISTRICT	PERMITTED USE / SPECIAL EXCEPTION
Agricultural Residential	Permitted Use
REZONE REQUIRED: NO	

## ADDITIONAL STANDARDS

Use standards for CFOs beyond zoning district's standards unless otherwise specified.

### SETBACKS<sup>1</sup>

Right of Way (ft)	100
Property Line (ft)	100

### BUFFERS<sup>2</sup>

Zoning Districts (ft)	Rural Residential district- 1,550 Commercial district- 1,250
Municipal Boundary <sup>3</sup> (ft)	2,640-5,280
Residential Use (ft)	750
<i>Exception for farm house</i>	Yes
Religious Institution (ft)	1,250
School (ft)	1,250
Recreational Areas <sup>4</sup> (ft)	1,550-5,280
Business (ft)	1,250
Other Buffered Uses (ft)	Public buildings- 1,250 see ordinance for additional details

## APPLICATION PROCESS REQUIREMENTS

*Only checked processes are required.*

- Pre-application permit required
- Site plan required
- Development plan review
- Other Processes<sup>5</sup>
- Site scoring system

## OTHER

Proof of IDEM Permit Required	Yes
Existing Violation Clause	None
Odor Control Standards	None
<i>Manure Management</i>	
Manure Application Standards	None
Manure Storage Standards	None
Animal Mortalities Standards	None
Transportation/Driveway & Parking Standards	None
Well/Water Standards	None
Screening/Shelterbelt Standards	None
Minimum Lot Size (acres)	None
Other	None

## RELATED STANDARDS

Reciprocal Buffer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
County Has Agricultural Clause	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## COUNTY LIVESTOCK STATS

Active CFO Permits (2014)	96
Approximate Livestock Count (2012)	34,918,236

## JAY COUNTY FACTS

2014 Population Density (people/mi <sup>2</sup> )	55.1
Housing Unit Density (houses/mi <sup>2</sup> )	23.9
PCPI (2014)	\$38,169
<i>Unincorporated Area</i> (excluding census designated places)	
Share of Population	48%
Share of Land	97%

## FOOTNOTES

- From structures
- Buffer increases if waste handling facility is an open earthen pit or lagoon to 1000 ft from residence, 1500 ft from church, school, business, public building, or commercial zoning district, 2000 ft from rural residential district
- Specific buffers for each town; see ordinance for more details
- Public recreational areas only in the Flood Plain district; private recreational areas in the Commercial district varies by direction- see ordinance for details
- Inspections of site plan and property by county surveyor, highway department and zoning administrator; public written comment period

## COUNTY CONTACT INFORMATION

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## ORDINANCE

*Information presented as of 8/15/2015. For more details about Jay County's land use ordinances on CFO/CAFOs, please visit <https://aq.purdue.edu/Documents/ordinance>.*