

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Ohio Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 5 percent from 169,017 acres in 1992 to 160,770 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 4 percent from 246 acres in 1992 to 256 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 6 percent from 330 farms in 1992 to 309 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

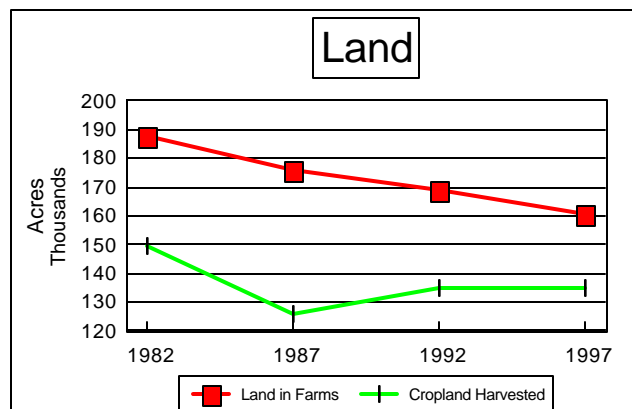
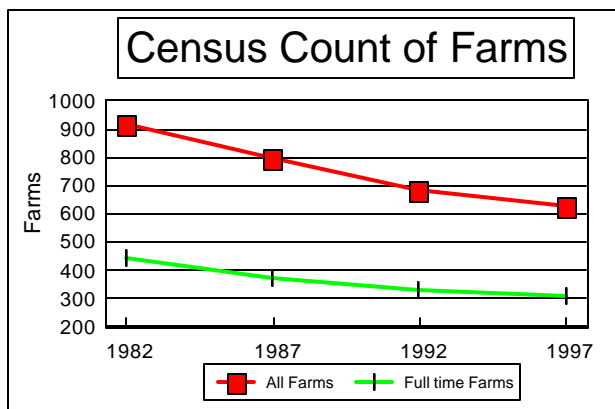
Increased 32 percent to \$53,806,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 86 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 14 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 45 percent from \$59,216 in 1992 to \$85,814 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

| Item | Quantity | State | | U.S. | |
|---|----------|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|
| | | Rank | Universe* | Rank | Universe* |
| MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Total value of agricultural products sold | 53,806 | 40 | 88 | 1,113 | 3,076 |
| Value of crops including nursery | 46,140 | 26 | 88 | 599 | 3,070 |
| Value of livestock and poultry | 7,665 | 62 | 88 | 2,067 | 3,069 |
| TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Soybeans | 17,685 | 33 | 87 | 352 | 2,136 |
| Nursery and greenhouse crops | 13,403 | 7 | 88 | 158 | 2,790 |
| Corn for grain | 11,692 | 36 | 88 | 510 | 2,582 |
| Hogs and pigs | 3,098 | 36 | 88 | 685 | 2,976 |
| Wheat | 2,116 | 30 | 88 | 638 | 2,578 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number) | | | | | |
| Hogs and pigs sold | 45,655 | 25 | 88 | 557 | 2,976 |
| Cattle and calves sold | 3,180 | 71 | 88 | 2,455 | 3,063 |
| Sheep and lambs sold | 1,128 | 35 | 88 | 757 | 2,765 |
| Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold | (D) | 36 | 77 | 948 | 2,200 |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold | 313 | 44 | 73 | 1,159 | 1,882 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number) | | | | | |
| Hogs and pigs inventory | 15,055 | 35 | 88 | 679 | 3,005 |
| Cattle and calves inventory | 5,879 | 73 | 88 | 2,493 | 3,064 |
| Sheep and lamb inventory | 1,608 | 31 | 88 | 650 | 2,864 |
| Horse and pony inventory | 1,156 | 20 | 88 | 593 | 3,066 |
| Layers 20 weeks and older inventory | 612 | 68 | 88 | 1,518 | 3,002 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA | | | | | |
| Soybeans for beans-acres | 69,564 | 30 | 87 | 375 | 2,144 |
| Corn for grain-acres | 44,539 | 38 | 88 | 548 | 2,691 |
| Wheat-acres | 12,013 | 31 | 88 | 701 | 2,612 |
| Hay crops-acres | 7,414 | 58 | 88 | 1,974 | 3,061 |
| All nursery-acres | 1,004 | 13 | 88 | 298 | 2,619 |

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

Other County Summary Highlights

| Item | 1997 | 1992 | Percent Change |
|--|--------|--------|----------------|
| Farms by value of sales: | | | |
| Less than \$10,000 | 288 | 345 | -17 |
| \$10,000 or more | 339 | 343 | -1 |
| Total farm production expenses\$1,000.. | 41,320 | 33,384 | 24 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 65,796 | 48,664 | 35 |
| Net cash return from agricultural sales | | | |
| for the farm unit\$1,000.. | 9,318 | 6,651 | 40 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 14,838 | 9,695 | 53 |
| Farms by type of organization: | | | |
| Individual or family | 533 | 572 | -7 |
| Partnership or corporation | 91 | 110 | -17 |
| Other | 3 | 6 | -50 |
| OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS | | | |
| Operators by principal occupation: | | | |
| Farming | 309 | 330 | -6 |
| Other | 318 | 358 | -11 |
| Operators by sex: | | | |
| Male | 567 | 627 | -10 |
| Female | 60 | 61 | -2 |
| Operators by race: | | | |
| White | 627 | 688 | -9 |
| Black and other races | | | |
| Average age of operator | 54.3 | 52.5 | 3 |

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

* Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.