

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Ohio Agricultural Statistics Service



## GUERNSEY OHIO

### Land in farms

Increased 8 percent from 127,867 acres in 1992 to 137,653 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 4 percent from 166 acres in 1992 to 172 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased slightly from 342 farms in 1992 to 341 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

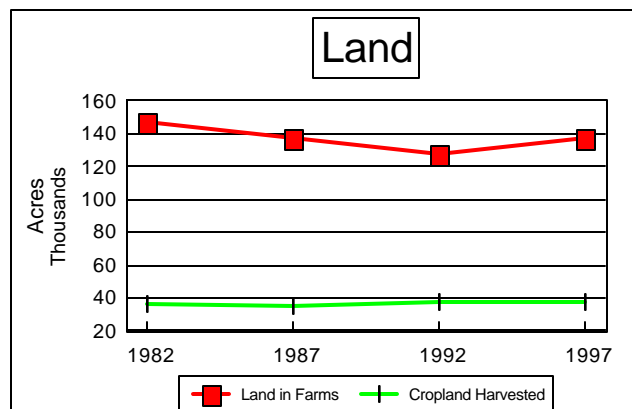
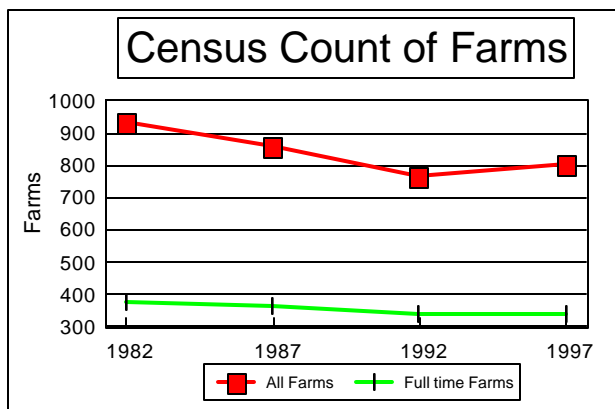
Increased 12 percent to \$10,754,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 22 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 78 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 7 percent from \$12,534 in 1992 to \$13,408 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	10,754	77	88	2,467	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	8,343	60	88	2,011	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	2,411	78	88	2,443	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	5,203	23	88	1,439	3,063
Dairy products	2,233	52	87	1,001	2,563
Corn for grain	881	72	88	1,372	2,582
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	673	55	88	1,326	3,043
Hogs and pigs	668	60	88	1,127	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	12,074	15	88	1,436	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	6,598	61	88	1,149	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	1,883	20	88	501	2,765
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	44	81	1,088	2,203
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	46	73	1,276	1,882
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	22,189	19	88	1,439	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	3,880	59	88	1,100	3,005
Sheep and lamb inventory	2,861	11	88	401	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	837	32	88	934	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	662	64	88	1,459	3,002
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	30,132	8	88	673	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	5,517	70	88	1,281	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	875	77	87	1,609	2,144
Corn for silage-acres	679	62	88	1,272	2,473
Oats-acres	608	37	85	880	2,332

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	616	578	7
\$10,000 or more .....	186	191	-3
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	9,149	8,890	3
Average per farm .....dollars..	11,393	11,545	-1
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	425	972	-56
Average per farm .....dollars..	530	1,262	-58
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	734	702	5
Partnership or corporation .....	60	63	-5
Other .....	8	4	100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	341	342	-0
Other .....	461	427	8
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	732	706	4
Female .....	70	63	11
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	801	768	4
Black and other races .....	1	1	
Average age of operator .....	56.4	56.0	1

(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.