

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Ohio Agricultural Statistics Service



HANCOCK OHIO

Land in farms

Increased slightly from 275,644 acres in 1992 to 277,209 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 6 percent from 267 acres in 1992 to 283 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 15 percent from 538 farms in 1992 to 456 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

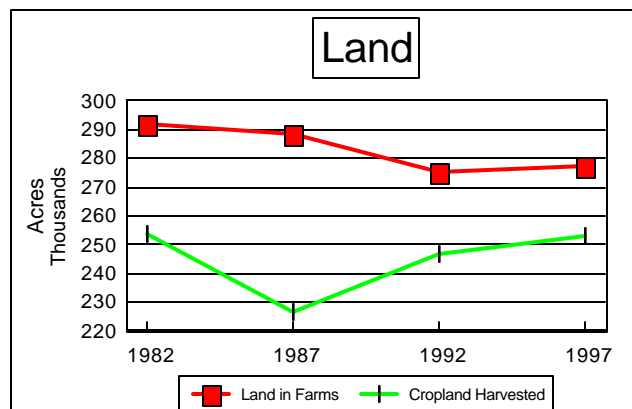
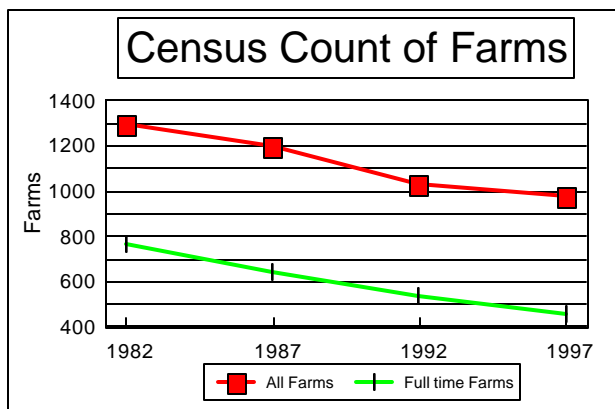
Increased 31 percent to \$81,864,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 82 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 18 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 38 percent from \$60,764 in 1992 to \$83,620 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	81,864	14	88	687	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	67,401	6	88	343	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	14,463	30	88	1,544	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Soybeans	32,191	5	87	107	2,136
Corn for grain	24,473	8	88	251	2,582
Wheat	8,130	3	88	259	2,578
Hogs and pigs	7,802	15	88	401	2,976
Dairy products	2,345	51	87	985	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	204,910	1	77	32	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	65,103	18	88	447	2,976
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	23	81	744	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	2,219	77	88	2,620	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	1,096	38	88	775	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	37,887	16	88	387	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	24	88	700	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	4,125	79	88	2,660	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,280	43	88	779	2,864
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	5	88	447	2,588
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	120,270	4	87	126	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	85,450	6	88	275	2,691
Wheat-acres	43,408	3	88	336	2,612
Hay crops-acres	4,549	73	88	2,348	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	664	63	88	1,289	2,473

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	234	294	-20
\$10,000 or more	745	738	1
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	55,306	46,400	19
Average per farmdollars..	56,492	44,961	26
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	27,834	16,877	65
Average per farmdollars..	28,431	16,354	74
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	824	871	-5
Partnership or corporation	148	158	-6
Other	7	3	133
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	456	538	-15
Other	523	494	6
Operators by sex:			
Male	936	999	-6
Female	43	33	30
Operators by race:			
White	975	1,032	-6
Black and other races	4	-	
Average age of operator	51.6	50.5	2

(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.