

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Ohio Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Decreased 8 percent from 142,624 acres in 1992 to 130,631 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Unchanged from 168 acres in 1992 to 168 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 18 percent from 420 farms in 1992 to 343 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

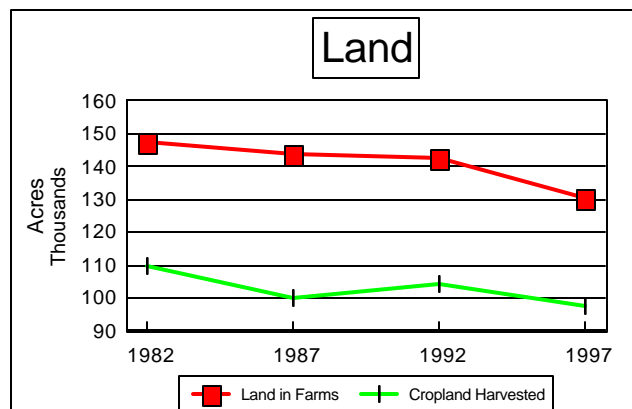
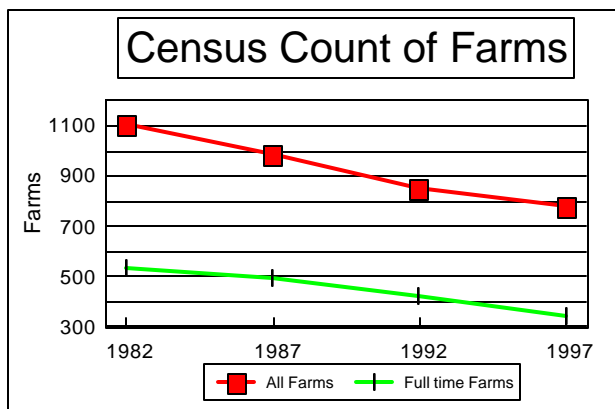
Increased 18 percent to \$82,972,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 83 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 17 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 28 percent from \$83,021 in 1992 to \$106,647 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	82,972	13	88	668	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	68,920	5	88	324	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	14,052	33	88	1,577	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	49,137	2	88	37	2,790
Soybeans	11,382	40	87	508	2,136
Dairy products	8,406	17	87	431	2,563
Corn for grain	4,070	55	88	880	2,582
Cattle and calves	3,026	47	88	1,840	3,063
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	28,298	39	88	714	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	5,488	56	88	2,091	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	544	63	88	1,186	2,765
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	30	79	594	1,593
All goats sold	113	21	87	823	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	11,941	44	88	739	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	11,130	45	88	2,042	3,064
Broiler inventory	(D)	14	84	774	2,620
Sheep and lamb inventory	904	55	88	1,028	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	887	28	88	873	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	58,673	35	87	451	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	17,579	58	88	864	2,691
Hay crops-acres	10,979	43	88	1,616	3,061
Wheat-acres	4,766	52	88	1,082	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	2,721	19	88	537	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	384	417	-8
\$10,000 or more	394	433	-9
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	66,376	59,386	12
Average per farmdollars..	85,426	69,948	22
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	14,682	10,897	35
Average per farmdollars..	18,896	12,835	47
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	642	720	-11
Partnership or corporation	133	129	3
Other	3	1	200
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	343	420	-18
Other	435	430	1
Operators by sex:			
Male	694	776	-11
Female	84	74	14
Operators by race:			
White	772	844	-9
Black and other races	6	6	
Average age of operator	53.4	52.8	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.