

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Ohio Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Decreased 3 percent from 204,079 acres in 1992 to 197,141 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 6 percent from 191 acres in 1992 to 202 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 18 percent from 534 farms in 1992 to 437 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

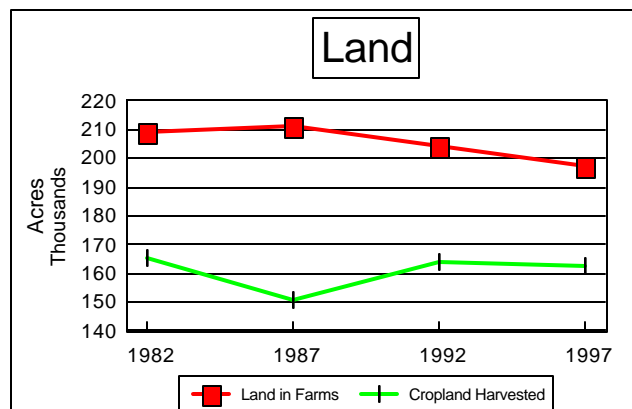
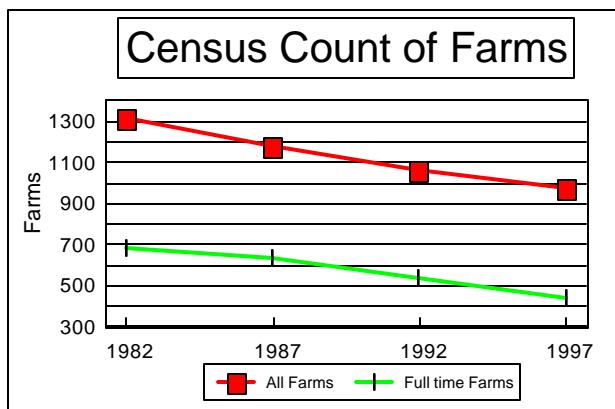
Increased 10 percent to \$67,931,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 65 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 35 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 20 percent from \$57,860 in 1992 to \$69,531 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	67,931	28	88	855	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	43,828	31	88	640	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	24,103	18	88	1,071	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Soybeans	20,017	27	87	301	2,136
Corn for grain	19,516	19	88	341	2,582
Hogs and pigs	12,673	6	88	274	2,976
Cattle and calves	7,040	9	88	1,179	3,063
Dairy products	4,009	32	87	726	2,563
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs sold	122,946	7	88	280	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	11,850	18	88	1,456	3,063
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	36	81	910	2,203
Sheep and lambs sold	900	47	88	866	2,765
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	32	77	885	2,200
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs inventory	63,486	5	88	256	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	17,368	28	88	1,676	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	5,747	30	88	844	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,164	49	88	842	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	779	35	88	1,034	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	74,758	15	88	331	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	69,223	31	87	378	2,144
Wheat-acres	10,625	33	88	745	2,612
Hay crops-acres	8,661	49	88	1,840	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	1,533	30	88	823	2,473

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 .....	430	423	2
\$10,000 or more .....	547	644	-15
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	51,596	49,267	5
Average per farm .....dollars..	52,811	46,173	14
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	19,865	12,271	62
Average per farm .....dollars..	20,332	11,500	77
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	880	937	-6
Partnership or corporation .....	97	129	-25
Other .....	-	1	-100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	437	534	-18
Other .....	540	533	1
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	930	1,036	-10
Female .....	47	31	52
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	969	1,064	-9
Black and other races .....	8	3	167
Average age of operator .....	52.8	51.4	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.