

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Ohio Agricultural Statistics Service



SANDUSKY OHIO

Land in farms

Decreased 1 percent from 202,324 acres in 1992 to 199,446 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 5 percent from 238 acres in 1992 to 251 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 15 percent from 439 farms in 1992 to 373 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

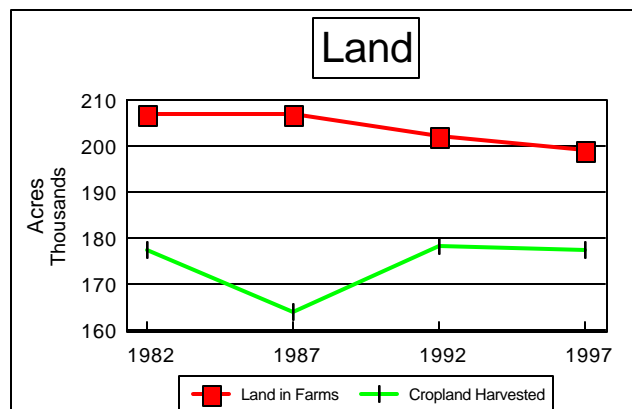
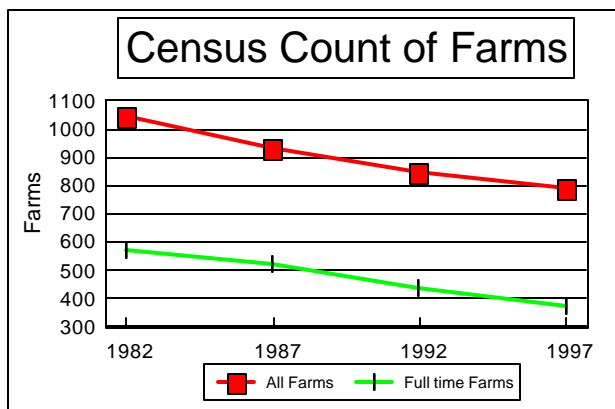
Increased 20 percent to \$66,000,000 in 1997.

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 28 percent from \$64,736 in 1992 to \$83,018 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	66,000	29	88	885	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	56,559	16	88	451	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	9,441	54	88	1,895	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Soybeans	21,819	22	87	249	2,136
Corn for grain	16,939	25	88	394	2,582
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	9,338	2	88	114	2,739
Wheat	4,367	14	88	415	2,578
Hogs and pigs	3,264	34	88	673	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	28,821	38	88	703	2,976
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	5	77	178	2,200
Cattle and calves sold	3,146	73	88	2,459	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	728	56	88	1,011	2,765
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	33	73	1,038	1,882
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	2	87	85	2,884
Hogs and pigs inventory	15,041	36	88	680	3,005
Cattle and calves inventory	6,913	67	88	2,413	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	(D)	4	88	420	2,588
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	869	55	88	1,274	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	86,702	19	87	275	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	57,548	31	88	460	2,691
Wheat-acres	22,013	17	88	505	2,612
Hay crops-acres	6,926	63	88	2,041	3,061
Land used for vegetables-acres	3,885	2	88	168	2,741

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	238	251	-5
\$10,000 or more	557	599	-7
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	48,307	45,249	7
Average per farmdollars..	60,688	53,235	14
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	14,296	9,033	58
Average per farmdollars..	17,960	10,627	69
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	682	740	-8
Partnership or corporation	106	107	-1
Other	7	3	133
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	373	439	-15
Other	422	411	3
Operators by sex:			
Male	763	814	-6
Female	32	36	-11
Operators by race:			
White	792	848	-7
Black and other races	3	2	50
Average age of operator	51.8	51.3	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.