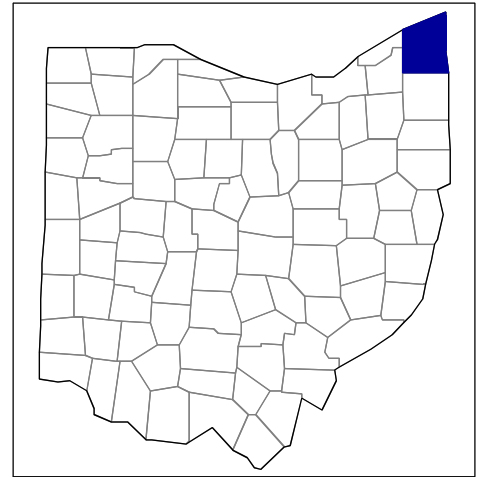




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Number of farms

1,283 farms in 2002, 1,178 farms in 1997, up 9 percent.

Land in farms

170,424 acres in 2002, 160,492 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

Average size of farm

133 acres in 2002, 136 acres in 1997, down 2 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$39,934,000 in 2002, \$34,906,000 in 1997, up 14 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$19,875,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$20,059,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

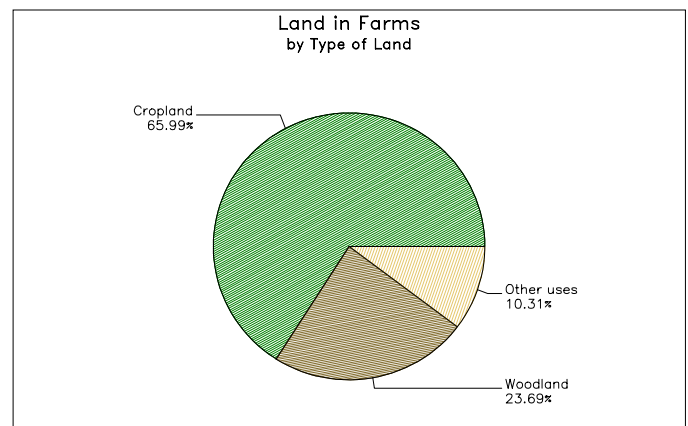
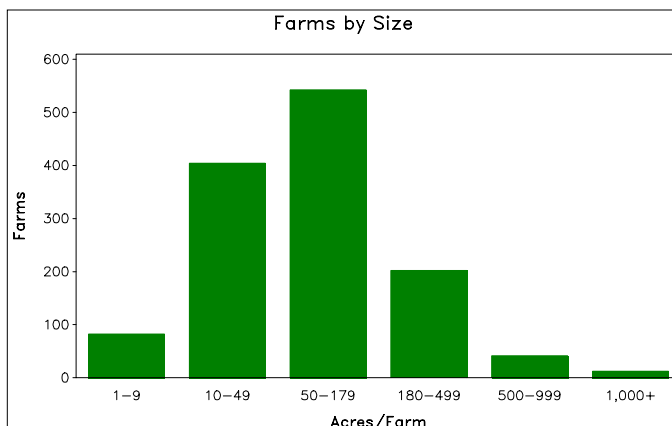
\$31,126 in 2002, \$29,631 in 1997, up 5 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,928,000 in 2002, \$901,000 in 1997, up 114 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,540 in 2002, \$2,525 in 1997, up 119 percent.



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Ranked items among the 88 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	39,934	48	88	1,429	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	19,875	53	88	1,170	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	20,059	24	88	1,296	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	7,634	55	88	1,085	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	24	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	748	35	88	855	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2,616	1	88	214	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	5,898	22	87	418	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	189	18	81	287	1,774
Other crops and hay	2,790	2	88	446	3,046
Poultry and eggs	101	38	88	1,316	2,918
Cattle and calves	4,425	36	88	1,614	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	14,856	10	87	284	2,493
Hogs and pigs	158	67	88	1,326	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	30	73	88	1,631	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	323	36	88	670	3,014
Aquaculture	1	30	39	1,314	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	166	21	88	669	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	20,244	20	88	1,444	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,656	10	88	284	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	2,584	36	88	917	2,983
Hogs and pigs	1,695	64	88	1,179	2,926
Quail ³	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	1,412
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	33,674	5	88	627	3,059
Soybeans	23,885	56	88	782	2,076
Corn for grain	16,591	53	88	874	2,592
All Wheat for grain	5,472	48	88	883	2,517
Corn for silage	4,170	13	87	434	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	308	Farming	723
\$1,000 to \$2,499	192	Other	560
\$2,500 to \$4,999	193	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	160	Male	1,112
\$10,000 to \$19,999	126	Female	171
\$20,000 to \$24,999	42	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	61	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	34	White	1,880
\$50,000 to \$99,999	77	Black or African American	7
\$100,000 to \$249,999	61	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$250,000 to \$499,999	15	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	14	Asian	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	32,006	More than one race	6
Average per farm (\$)	24,985	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	38
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	10,379		
Average per farm (\$)	8,102		

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.

³ Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.