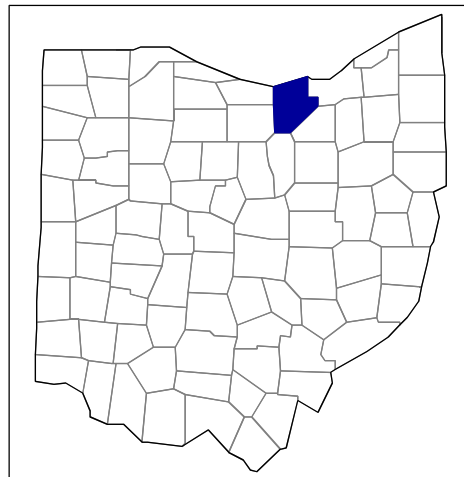




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Number of farms

975 farms in 2002, 905 farms in 1997, up 8 percent.

Land in farms

161,918 acres in 2002, 135,201 acres in 1997, up 20 percent.

Average size of farm

166 acres in 2002, 149 acres in 1997, up 11 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$97,787,000 in 2002, \$83,793,000 in 1997, up 17 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$84,870,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$12,918,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

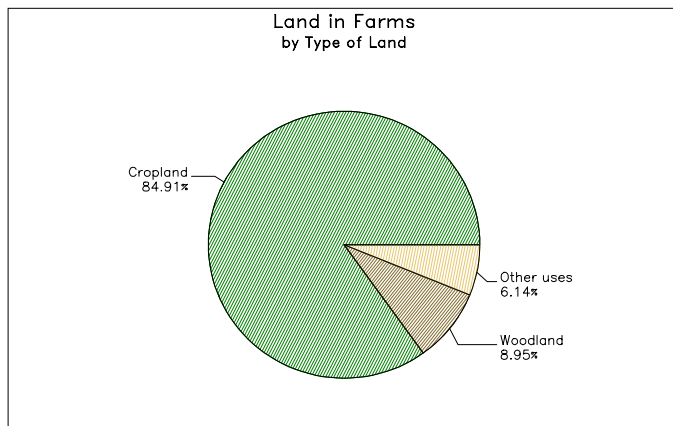
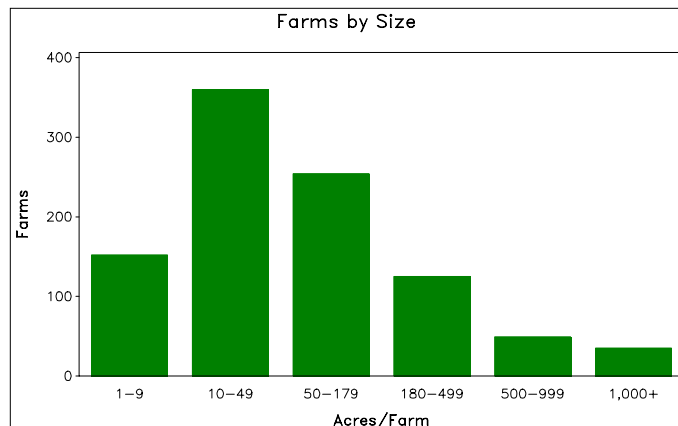
\$100,295 in 2002, \$92,589 in 1997, up 8 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,844,000 in 2002, \$1,105,000 in 1997, up 67 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$6,959 in 2002, \$4,235 in 1997, up 64 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	97,787	5	88	532	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	84,870	1	88	189	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	12,918	36	88	1,661	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	14,166	45	88	848	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	24	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,915	14	88	438	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2,071	3	88	240	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	64,678	2	87	41	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	202	17	81	274	1,774
Other crops and hay	837	55	88	1,419	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	88	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,633	54	88	1,984	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	8,528	16	87	430	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1,164	47	88	836	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	98	37	88	820	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	382	31	88	558	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	39	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	85	36	88	927	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	10,746	48	88	1,995	3,059
Hogs and pigs	6,528	48	88	833	2,926
Layers 20 weeks old and older	2,471	37	88	932	2,983
Horses and ponies	1,651	28	88	648	3,065
All Goats	988	10	88	481	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	72,316	34	88	407	2,076
Corn for grain	12,767	61	88	960	2,592
All Wheat for grain	12,019	26	88	583	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	11,216	44	88	1,661	3,059
Corn for silage	3,152	19	87	545	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	225	Farming	518
\$1,000 to \$2,499	125	Other	457
\$2,500 to \$4,999	97		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	108	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	117	Male	842
\$20,000 to \$24,999	41	Female	133
\$25,000 to \$39,999	48		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	22	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	77		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	61	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	38	White	1,475
\$500,000 or more	16	Black or African American	7
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	86,223	American Indian or Alaska Native	5
Average per farm (\$)	88,434	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	5
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	11,700	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	12,000	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	5

(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.