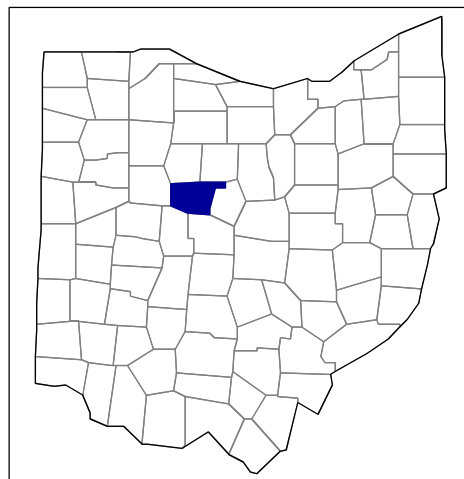


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Number of farms

520 farms in 2002, 604 farms in 1997, down 14 percent.

Land in farms

205,605 acres in 2002, 225,817 acres in 1997, down 9 percent.

Average size of farm

395 acres in 2002, 374 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$47,603,000 in 2002, \$65,448,000 in 1997, down 27 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$35,377,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$12,226,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

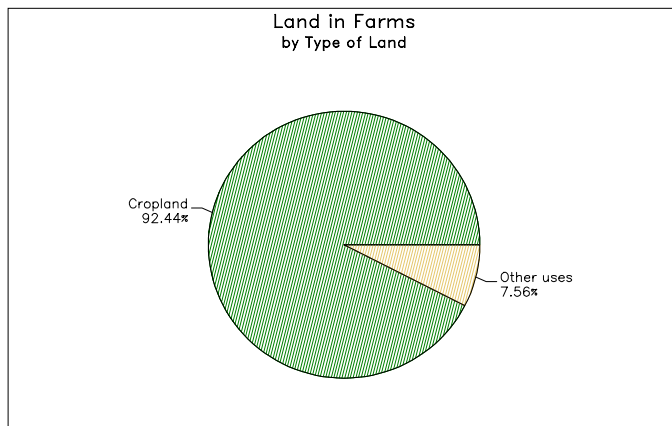
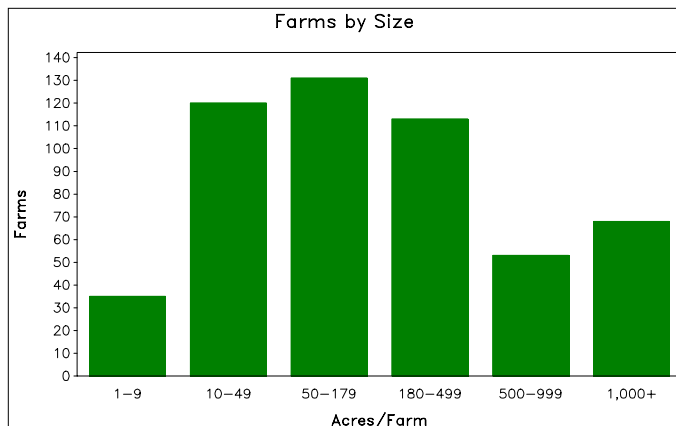
\$91,545 in 2002, \$108,357 in 1997, down 16 percent.

Government Payments

\$3,812,000 in 2002, \$2,997,000 in 1997, up 27 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$11,586 in 2002, \$7,744 in 1997, up 50 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	47,603	36	88	1,229	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	35,377	25	88	736	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	12,226	38	88	1,704	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	34,425	13	88	409	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	24	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	51	83	88	2,038	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	256	34	88	789	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	140	85	87	1,967	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	81	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	506	76	88	1,893	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	88	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,078	61	88	2,141	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,797	61	87	1,070	2,493
Hogs and pigs	7,811	12	88	349	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	208	11	88	428	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	71	78	88	2,100	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	39	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	88	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	26,829	16	88	443	2,926
Cattle and calves	4,598	76	88	2,562	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	33	88	(D)	2,983
Sheep and lambs	2,910	15	88	381	2,867
Ducks	(D)	3	87	(D)	2,630
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	114,948	12	88	187	2,076
Corn for grain	46,880	31	88	523	2,592
All Wheat for grain	14,920	20	88	519	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	4,862	75	88	2,333	3,059
Corn for silage	2,418	28	87	663	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	99	Farming	324
\$1,000 to \$2,499	40	Other	196
\$2,500 to \$4,999	33		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	32	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	54	Male	483
\$20,000 to \$24,999	15	Female	37
\$25,000 to \$39,999	56		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	17	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	60		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	56	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	45	White	726
\$500,000 or more	13	Black or African American	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	46,509	American Indian or Alaska Native	5
Average per farm (\$)	89,098	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	6,304	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	12,077	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.