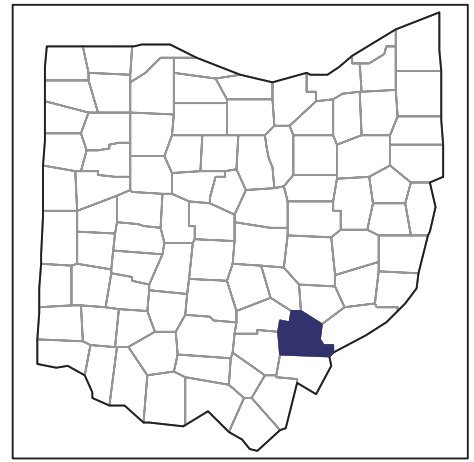


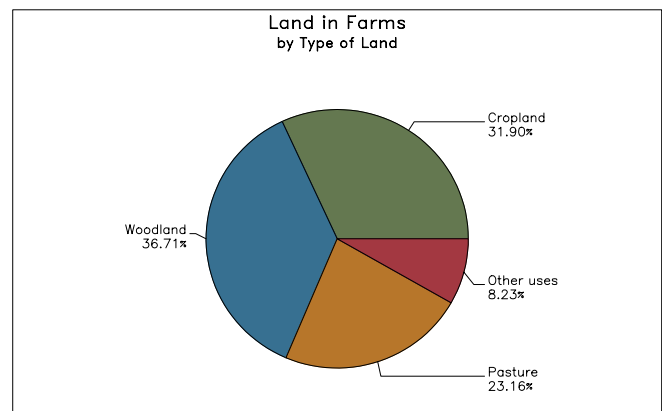
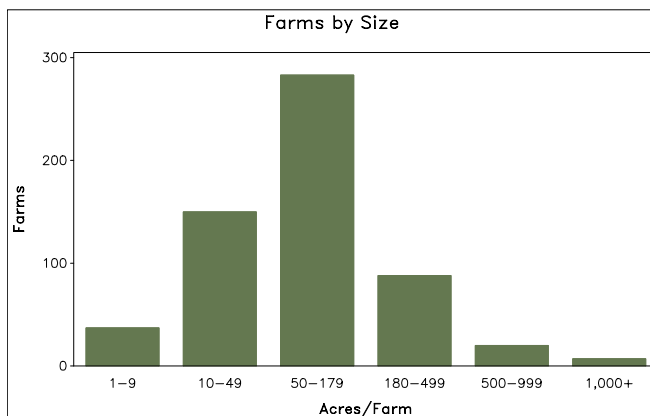
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Athens County Ohio



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	585	673	- 13
Land in Farms	82,182 acres	104,816 acres	- 22
Average Size of Farm	140 acres	156 acres	- 10
Market Value of Products Sold	\$8,428,000	\$7,959,000	+ 6
Crop Sales \$3,464,000 (41 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$4,965,000 (59 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$14,407	\$11,826	+ 22
Government Payments	\$204,000	\$304,000	- 33
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$1,759	\$2,100	- 16



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County Profile

Athens County – Ohio

Ranked items among the 88 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

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	8,428	84	88	2,666	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	3,464	79	88	2,394	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	4,965	73	88	2,444	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,209	78	88	1,936	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	12	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	409	57	88	1,155	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	72	77	88	1,548	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	573	59	87	1,341	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	59	30	84	565	1,710
Other crops and hay	1,142	37	88	1,378	3,054
Poultry and eggs	79	48	88	1,492	3,020
Cattle and calves	2,279	64	88	2,218	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	2,209	62	86	1,042	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	70	88	(D)	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	117	44	88	985	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	103	62	88	1,667	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	30	53	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	21	70	88	1,761	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	14,876	30	88	1,330	3,060
Corn for grain	1,555	81	88	1,758	2,634
Soybeans for beans	1,264	78	87	1,502	2,039
Corn for silage	1,254	45	86	879	2,263
Wheat for grain, all	364	72	87	1,922	2,481
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	7,858	60	88	2,188	3,060
Layers	2,113	42	88	1,095	3,024
Pheasants	(D)	13	65	(D)	1,544
Sheep and lambs	1,137	39	88	819	2,891
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	24	85	(D)	2,476

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	217	Farming	220
\$1,000 to \$2,499	103	Other	365
\$2,500 to \$4,999	80	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	67	Male	512
\$10,000 to \$19,999	51	Female	73
\$20,000 to \$24,999	13	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	15	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9	American Indian or Alaska Native	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	14	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	9	Black or African American	13
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	3	White	856
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	8,904	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	15,221	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	164		
Average per farm (\$)	280		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

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.