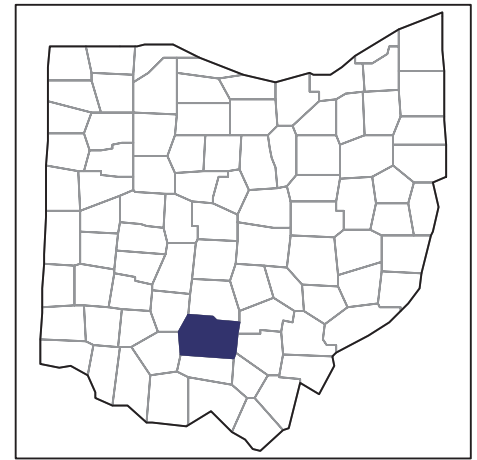


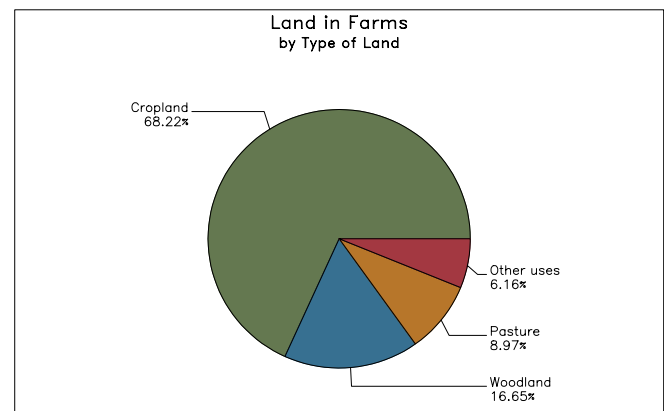
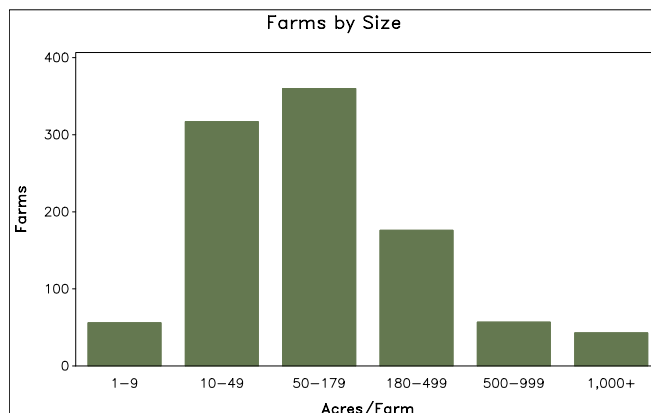
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## County Profile

### Ross County Ohio



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,009	952	+ 6
<b>Land in Farms</b>	223,650 acres	246,690 acres	- 9
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	222 acres	259 acres	- 14
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$51,198,000	\$37,468,000	+ 37
Crop Sales \$42,740,000 (83 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$8,457,000 (17 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$50,741	\$39,357	+ 29
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$5,917,000	\$3,010,000	+ 97
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$10,509	\$7,150	+ 47



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

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	51,198	51	88	1,541	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	42,740	45	88	973	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	8,457	62	88	2,144	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	40,100	41	88	690	2,933
Tobacco	(D)	10	12	(D)	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	294	65	88	1,320	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	270	43	88	951	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	461	62	87	1,460	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	29	84	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	1,537	26	88	1,120	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	74	88	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	4,672	38	88	1,748	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	2,606	57	86	975	2,493
Hogs and pigs	684	57	88	974	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	110	48	88	1,035	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	310	27	88	767	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	45	53	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	43	57	88	1,427	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Soybeans for beans	49,555	41	87	513	2,039
Corn for grain	46,784	37	88	617	2,634
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	16,627	27	88	1,223	3,060
Wheat for grain, all	9,647	26	87	722	2,481
Corn for silage	947	51	86	1,024	2,263
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	14,463	31	88	1,696	3,060
Hogs and pigs	1,699	60	88	1,097	2,958
Layers	1,420	57	88	1,334	3,024
Sheep and lambs	1,216	35	88	763	2,891
Horses and ponies	1,116	45	88	1,240	3,066

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	406	Farming	438
\$1,000 to \$2,499	104	Other	571
\$2,500 to \$4,999	99	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	98	Male	896
\$10,000 to \$19,999	58	Female	113
\$20,000 to \$24,999	17	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	37	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	29	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	57	Asian	7
\$100,000 to \$249,999	54	Black or African American	17
\$250,000 to \$499,999	24	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	26	White	1,435
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	43,116	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	42,731	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	17,273		
Average per farm (\$)	17,119		

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.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. <sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.