

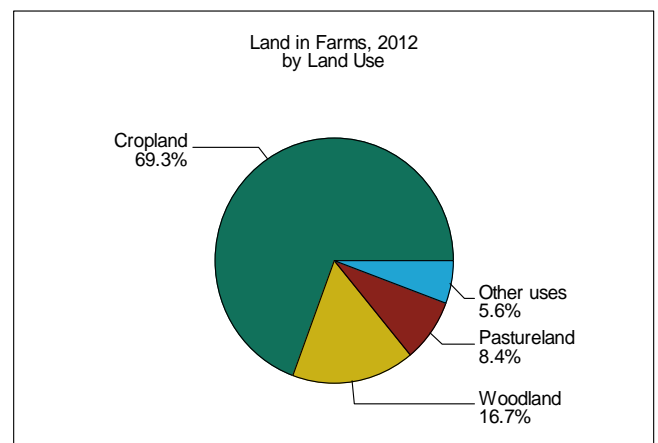
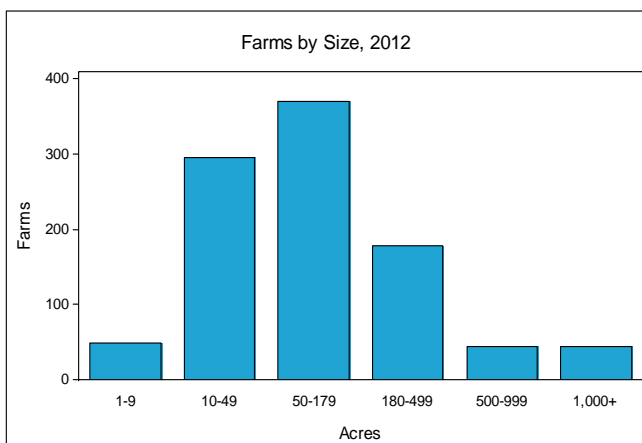
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Ross County Ohio

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	980	1,009	- 3
Land in Farms	221,723 acres	223,650 acres	- 1
Average Size of Farm	226 acres	222 acres	+ 2
Market Value of Products Sold	\$79,803,000	\$51,198,000	+ 56
Crop Sales \$69,836,000 (88 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$9,967,000 (12 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$81,431	\$50,741	+ 60
Government Payments	\$6,567,000	\$5,917,000	+ 11
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$11,727	\$10,509	+ 12





Ross County – Ohio

Ranked items among the 88 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	79,803	52	88	1,370	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	69,836	45	88	908	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	9,967	60	88	2,109	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	67,099	42	88	677	2,926
Tobacco	(D)	10	15	376	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	59	88	1,387	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	307	20	87	891	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	395	60	88	1,463	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,751	40	88	1,454	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	76	88	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	5,022	44	88	1,816	3,056
Milk from cows	4,065	44	85	778	2,038
Hogs and pigs	281	57	87	1,025	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	116	58	88	1,248	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	429	32	88	658	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	43	51	1,164	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	28	70	88	1,747	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	53,533	41	87	568	2,162
Corn for grain	49,764	37	87	620	2,638
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,786	35	88	1,405	3,057
Wheat for grain, all	6,648	27	87	858	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	6,648	27	87	771	2,480
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	11,827	42	88	1,800	3,063
Layers	2,144	57	88	1,243	3,040
Hogs and pigs	1,385	55	88	979	2,889
Horses and ponies	1,055	40	88	1,132	3,072
Sheep and lambs	1,039	41	88	869	2,897

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	370	Farming	471
\$1,000 to \$2,499	84	Other	509
\$2,500 to \$4,999	94		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	84	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	58	Male	847
\$20,000 to \$24,999	24	Female	133
\$25,000 to \$39,999	47		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	20	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	59		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	72	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	31	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$500,000 or more	37	Asian	4
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	66,820	Black or African American	11
Average per farm (\$)	68,184	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	1,441
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	23,638	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	24,120	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	8

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

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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.