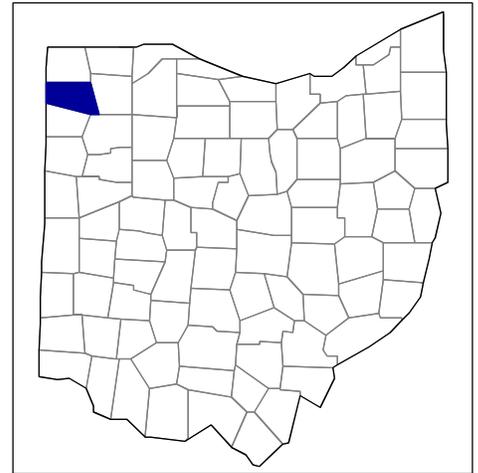




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Number of farms

982 farms in 2002, 965 farms in 1997, up 2 percent.

Land in farms

208,994 acres in 2002, 193,212 acres in 1997, up 8 percent.

Average size of farm

213 acres in 2002, 200 acres in 1997, up 7 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$43,203,000 in 2002, \$45,791,000 in 1997, down 6 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$32,545,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$10,657,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

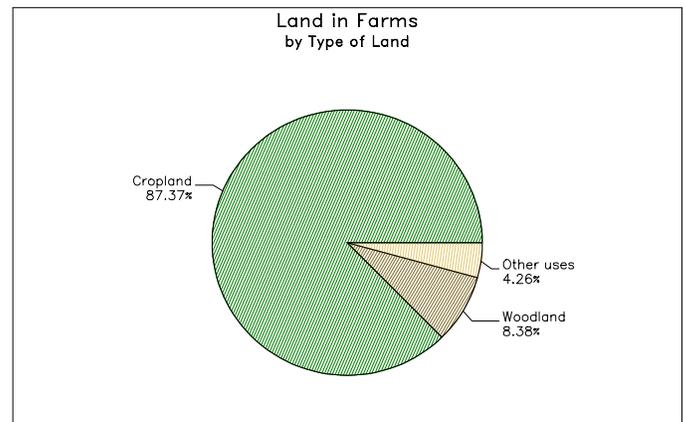
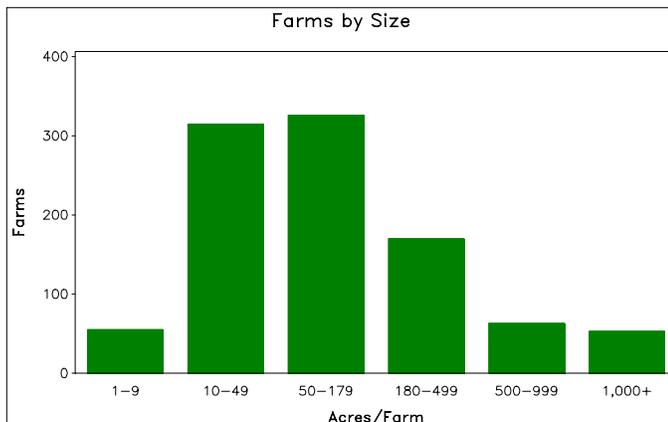
\$43,995 in 2002, \$47,452 in 1997, down 7 percent.

Government Payments

\$3,126,000 in 2002, \$2,245,000 in 1997, up 39 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$4,659 in 2002, \$3,391 in 1997, up 37 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	43,203	43	88	1,340	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	32,545	29	88	803	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	10,657	48	88	1,828	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	31,652	20	88	459	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	24	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	4	87	88	2,618	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	20	85	88	1,966	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	81	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	631	65	88	1,674	3,046
Poultry and eggs	13	73	88	1,888	2,918
Cattle and calves	4,773	35	88	1,560	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	4,111	34	87	714	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1,645	41	88	763	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	26	75	88	1,724	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	59	84	88	2,263	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	39	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	30	54	88	1,337	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	9,486	56	88	2,095	3,059
Hogs and pigs	8,406	42	88	770	2,926
Layers 20 weeks old and older	856	79	88	1,515	2,983
Sheep and lambs	487	72	88	1,474	2,867
Horses and ponies	437	80	88	2,295	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	100,968	17	88	252	2,076
Corn for grain	43,437	34	88	546	2,592
All Wheat for grain	12,045	24	88	580	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	5,344	71	88	2,269	3,059
Corn for silage	2,294	31	87	689	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	328
\$1,000 to \$2,499	78
\$2,500 to \$4,999	83
\$5,000 to \$9,999	84
\$10,000 to \$19,999	94
\$20,000 to \$24,999	29
\$25,000 to \$39,999	69
\$40,000 to \$49,999	26
\$50,000 to \$99,999	70
\$100,000 to \$249,999	78
\$250,000 to \$499,999	35
\$500,000 or more	8
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	38,884
Average per farm (\$)	39,356
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	11,774
Average per farm (\$)	11,917

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	521
Other	461
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	891
Female	91
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.9
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,279
Black or African American	4
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3

(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.