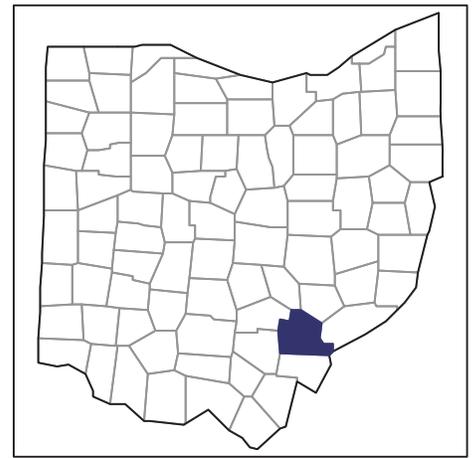


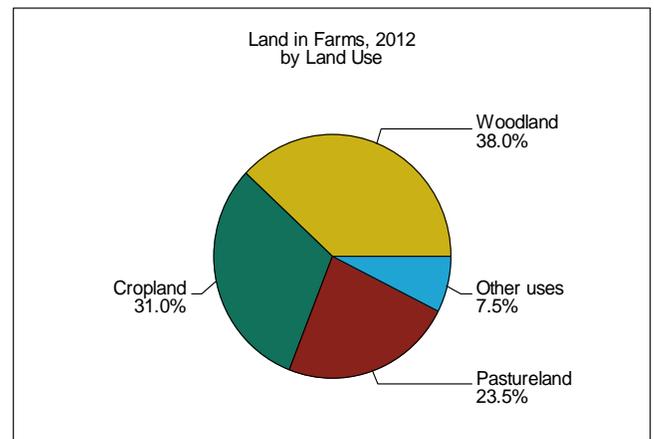
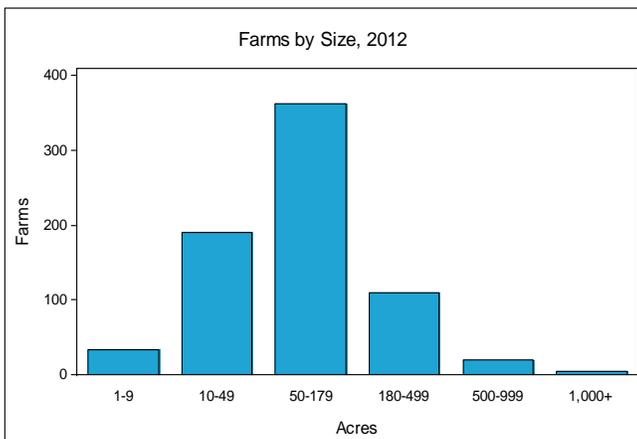
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Athens County Ohio

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	722	585	+ 23
<b>Land in Farms</b>	90,473 acres	82,182 acres	+ 10
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	125 acres	140 acres	- 11
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$9,548,000	\$8,428,000	+ 13
Crop Sales \$5,463,000 (57 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$4,084,000 (43 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$13,224	\$14,407	- 8
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$320,000	\$204,000	+ 57
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$2,645	\$1,759	+ 50





## Athens County – Ohio

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

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	9,548	84	88	2,690	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	5,463	79	88	2,385	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	4,084	76	88	2,541	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,361	78	88	2,007	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	15	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	606	39	88	1,028	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	61	66	87	1,672	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	366	62	88	1,501	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	78	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	2,069	29	88	1,316	3,049
Poultry and eggs	50	61	88	1,626	3,013
Cattle and calves	2,202	69	88	2,270	3,056
Milk from cows	1,431	62	85	1,132	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	78	87	1,640	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	250	22	88	682	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	84	69	88	1,961	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	51	51	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	38	62	88	1,584	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	18,264	23	88	1,067	3,057
Soybeans for beans	1,839	78	87	1,562	2,162
Corn for grain	1,576	80	87	1,788	2,638
Corn for silage	513	64	88	1,385	2,237
Wheat for grain, all	(D)	78	87	(D)	2,537
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	7,458	61	88	2,152	3,063
Layers	2,388	52	88	1,168	3,040
Pheasants	(D)	14	55	(D)	963
Horses and ponies	923	47	88	1,295	3,072
Quail	(D)	6	32	(D)	944

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	259	Farming	273
\$1,000 to \$2,499	107	Other	449
\$2,500 to \$4,999	99	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	103	Male	592
\$10,000 to \$19,999	68	Female	130
\$20,000 to \$24,999	21	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	25	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	16	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	10	Black or African American	4
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
\$500,000 or more	4	White	1,101
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	13,428	More than one race	7
Average per farm (\$)	18,599	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	1
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-2,953		
Average per farm (\$)	-4,091		

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.

<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.