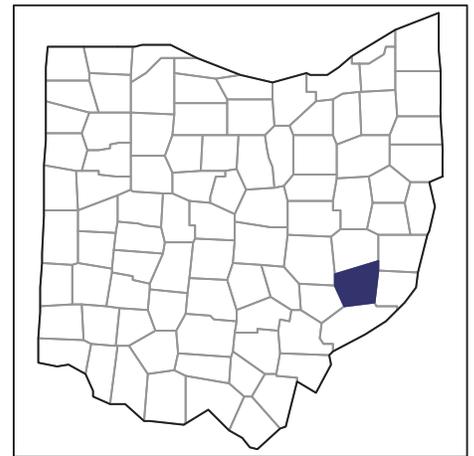


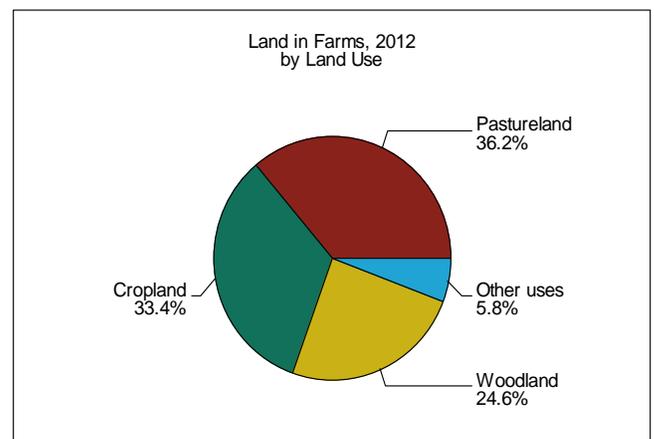
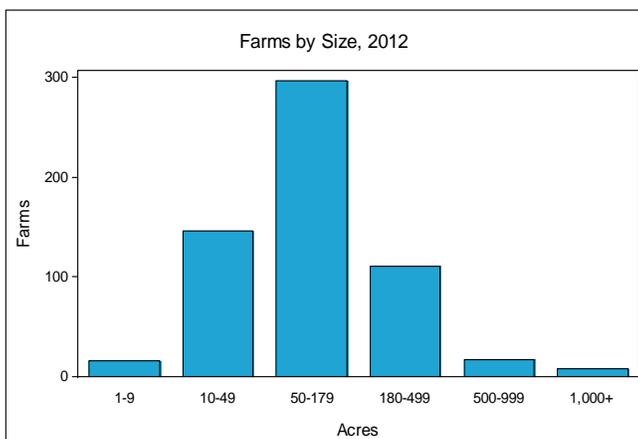
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Noble County Ohio

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	595	534	+ 11
Land in Farms	86,117 acres	89,298 acres	- 4
Average Size of Farm	145 acres	167 acres	- 13
Market Value of Products Sold	\$9,760,000	\$5,192,000	+ 88
Crop Sales \$3,619,000 (37 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$6,141,000 (63 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$16,403	\$9,723	+ 69
Government Payments	\$78,000	\$127,000	- 39
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$2,686	\$2,767	- 3





Noble 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	9,760	83	88	2,683	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	3,619	87	88	2,533	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	6,141	72	88	2,387	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	328	86	88	2,495	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	15	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	84	88	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	26	76	87	2,037	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	86	88	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	55	22	78	447	1,530
Other crops and hay	3,146	12	88	934	3,049
Poultry and eggs	22	78	88	2,016	3,013
Cattle and calves	5,563	41	88	1,737	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	82	85	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	39	72	87	1,534	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	227	27	88	727	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	170	52	88	1,381	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	19	51	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	13	83	88	2,106	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	23,337	13	88	826	3,057
Corn for grain	419	85	87	2,118	2,638
Cut Christmas trees	133	18	79	360	1,557
Corn for silage	62	82	88	1,969	2,237
Short-rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	49	(D)	793
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	12,184	39	88	1,781	3,063
Sheep and lambs	2,033	15	88	450	2,897
Layers	1,837	63	88	1,368	3,040
Horses and ponies	758	59	88	1,569	3,072
Goats, all	562	40	88	1,116	2,996

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	106	Farming	198
\$1,000 to \$2,499	90	Other	397
\$2,500 to \$4,999	84	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	125	Male	541
\$10,000 to \$19,999	90	Female	54
\$20,000 to \$24,999	19	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	39	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	14	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	7	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	2	White	879
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	10,124	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	17,014	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	296		
Average per farm (\$)	498		

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.