



**Ohio farmers produce products that are an economic engine for local economies. Here are some facts to consider:**

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## Henry County, Ohio

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- ✓ Agriculture contributes \$762.1 million in output and employs over 4,200 people in Henry County.
  - ✓ Crop production represents 71% of production agriculture in Henry County.
  - ✓ In Henry County, food & forestry processing accounted for \$635.1 million in total output.
  - ✓ *Campbell Soup Company* is a major food processing business located in Henry County.
  - ✓ 245,000 acres of land are farmed in Henry County.
  - ✓ Henry County farmers produce over eight million bushels of corn, 3.9 million bushels of soybeans, 5,600 cattle, 12,100 hogs, and 16.3 million pounds of milk.
  - ✓ Among Ohio's counties, Henry ranks 6<sup>th</sup> in corn and wheat production, 8<sup>th</sup> in soybeans harvested, and 6<sup>th</sup> in processed tomatoes.
  - ✓ Cash receipts from marketing of farm commodities totaled \$60.5 million.
- *One farmer produces enough food to feed 129 people, 101 in the United States, and 28 others around the world.*
  - *Ohio is home to over 1,000 food processing facilities.*
  - *Ohio's \$79.6 billion agricultural sector comprises approximately 12% of total output, 10% of GSP, 15% of total employment, and 10% of total income generated in Ohio.*
  - *Over \$1 billion in agricultural products from Ohio are exported out of the country.*
  - *One out of every 10 rows of corn harvested in Ohio is exported. Every other row of soybeans is exported.*
  - *Almost half (44%) of all land in Ohio is classified as prime farmland. Ohio is one of only five states that has almost half of its land classified as prime farmland.*
  - *Ohio ranks in the top ten nationally in the production of corn, soybeans, oats, tobacco, pork, eggs, Swiss cheese, ice cream, flowers, tomatoes, grapes, strawberries, and maple syrup.*
  - *The average American earns enough money in 37 days to pay for a year's worth of food.*

Sources: Dr. Tom Sporleder, OSU, AEDE  
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