



Agriculture Is Vital to Ohio's Economy

- In 2014 Ohio's agriculture industry contributed more than \$11.2 billion to the state's economy.
- Ohio has more than 75,000 farms and 14 million acres of farmland. More than 91 percent of farms are less than 500 acres, with an average farm size of 185 acres.
 - 69,197 farms have less than 500 acres.
 - 3,674 farms have between 500-1000 acres.
 - 2,591 farms have more than 1000 acres.
- Agriculture is Ohio's largest industry, employing more Ohioans than any other business in the state.
- Avon, Ohio is home to one of the Midwest's largest wholesale growers of quality nursery stock. It ranks within the top 40 nationwide.
- Ohio is the number one producer of Swiss cheese within the United States and second in egg production.

Crop Insurance Is Vital to Ohio's Agricultural Sector

- Crop insurance protected more than \$3.1 billion of liability on growing crops in Ohio in 2015. There were seven million acres insured and more than \$179 million was paid to farmers in indemnities for production and/or revenue losses.
- The top commodities (liability) for crop insurance protection in 2015 were:
 - Corn - \$1.5 billion, protecting 2.8 million acres.
 - Soybeans - \$1.5 billion, protecting 3.8 million acres.
 - Wheat - \$95 million, protecting 310,977 acres.
- The private crop-hail insurance product provided an additional \$1.4 billion in liability protection on growing crops in Ohio.