

Table 1: Land Cover (Early 1990's)

Mercer County, Ohio

Percentage of Land Cover, Early 1990's

Township Name	Total Area Sq. Miles	Percentage of Land Cover, Early 1990's					
		Urban	Forest	Wetlands	Total Farmland*	Pasture	Row Crops
Black Creek township	35.8	0.0	4.3	0.2	95.5	5.5	89.9
Butler township	31.2	0.2	4.7	0.3	94.4	11.9	82.5
Center township	30.3	0.1	4.8	0.0	95.1	8.0	87.1
Dublin township	36.8	0.2	7.3	0.8	91.5	6.9	84.6
Franklin township	25.0	1.6	5.5	1.9	76.7	7.9	68.8
Gibson township	21.9	0.4	7.8	1.1	90.7	13.9	76.8
Granville township	37.6	0.1	3.1	0.1	96.8	10.4	86.4
Hopewell township	31.3	0.0	4.6	0.1	95.2	8.3	86.9
Jefferson township	30.6	1.9	3.6	0.3	60.5	6.9	53.6
Liberty township	35.9	0.0	4.4	0.2	95.3	5.5	89.8
Marion township	41.2	0.8	3.1	0.1	96.1	8.5	87.6
Recovery township	24.0	0.8	6.7	0.5	92.0	17.1	75.0
Union township	36.1	0.0	8.2	0.4	91.3	8.2	83.2
Washington township	36.3	0.0	6.0	0.2	93.8	10.2	83.6

Note: Percentages do not sum to 100 because of omission of barren land and water cover.

**Total Farmland consists of the sum of pasture land and row crop land.*

Table 2: County Land Cover 1982 to 1997, from the National Resource Inventory
Mercer County, Ohio

Total Acres (in 1,000's)						
Year	Total Acres Esimated	Total Urban Land	Total Forest Land	Total Farm Land*	Total Crop Land	Total Pasture
1982	303.0	12.4	24.1	242.2	238.1	4.1
1987	303.0	12.7	25.9	243.4	239.5	3.9
1992	303.0	13.1	23.6	243.9	240.0	3.9
1997	303.0	15.0	23.4	242.2	238.2	4.0

Percentage of Land Cover**						
Year	Total Acres Esimated	Total Urban Land	Total Forest Land	Total Farm Land*	Total Crop Land	Total Pasture
1982	N/A	4.1%	8.0%	79.9%	78.6%	1.4%
1987	N/A	4.2%	8.5%	80.3%	79.0%	1.3%
1992	N/A	4.3%	7.8%	80.5%	79.2%	1.3%
1997	N/A	5.0%	7.7%	79.9%	78.6%	1.3%

**Total Farm Land equals sum of all crop land and all pasture land*

***Percentages do not sum to 100%, due to omission of water and federal land use cover*

Table 3: County Land Cover Change 1982 to 1997, from the National Resource Inventory
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Land Cover	1982 to 1987		1987 to 1992		1992 to 1997		1982 to 1997	
	Absolute Change*	Percent Change	Absolute Change*	Percent Change	Absolute Change*	Percent Change	Absolute Change*	Percent Change
Urban Land	0.3	2.4%	0.4	3.1%	1.9	14.5%	2.6	21.0%
Forest Land	1.8	7.5%	-2.3	-8.9%	-0.2	-0.8%	-0.7	-2.9%
Total Farmland**	1.2	0.5%	0.5	0.2%	-1.7	-0.7%	0	0.0%
Crop Land	1.4	0.6%	0.5	0.2%	-1.8	-0.8%	0.1	0.0%
Pasture Land	-0.2	-4.9%	0	0.0%	0.1	2.6%	-0.1	-2.4%

**Absolute Change measured in thousands of acres*

***Total Farm Land equals sum of all crop land and all pasture land*

Table 4: 1997 Township Zoning Information
 Mercer County, Ohio

Township	Rural Zoning Available in 1997
BLACK CREEK TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
BUTLER TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
CENTER TOWNSHIP	Rejected Rural Zoning or Equivalent
DUBLIN TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
GIBSON TOWNSHIP	Rejected Rural Zoning or Equivalent
GRANVILLE TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP	Rejected Rural Zoning or Equivalent
LIBERTY TOWNSHIP	Rejected Rural Zoning or Equivalent
MARION TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
RECOVERY TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
UNION TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent