

Table 1: Land Cover (Early 1990's)

Portage County, Ohio		Percentage of Land Cover, Early 1990's					
Township Name	Total Area Sq. Miles	Urban	Forest	Wetlands	Total Farmland*	Pasture	Row Crops
Atwater township	25.9	1.9	32.3	9.6	53.6	25.4	28.2
Brimfield township	20.9	7.1	32.0	9.3	46.5	32.0	14.5
Charlestown township	20.3	1.9	59.6	5.0	20.8	14.7	6.1
Deerfield township	22.7	1.8	35.9	8.5	40.2	18.9	21.3
Edinburg township	24.2	0.9	45.9	4.6	47.1	27.2	19.9
Franklin township	12.7	12.1	29.5	14.2	30.4	23.5	6.9
Freedom township	23.9	0.9	42.4	6.4	49.8	31.6	18.2
Hiram township	23.2	0.4	53.4	6.2	39.6	27.6	12.0
Mantua township	26.4	1.4	40.9	7.7	48.3	35.3	13.0
Nelson township	24.7	0.5	46.3	9.9	42.4	25.9	16.6
Palmyra township	25.6	0.9	45.4	6.8	46.2	24.4	21.8
Paris township	22.7	1.4	49.4	11.0	31.0	20.1	10.9
Randolph township	29.1	1.4	23.5	6.8	67.9	39.5	28.4
Ravenna township	20.6	9.3	39.7	12.7	36.4	25.8	10.6
Rootstown township	26.5	3.7	34.5	10.7	47.9	31.7	16.2
Shalersville township	27.5	2.2	35.3	9.1	50.0	30.0	20.0
Suffield township	22.9	4.5	28.0	7.0	51.7	36.0	15.7
Windham township	23.0	1.5	55.5	13.4	28.2	19.7	8.5

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
Portage 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	324.6	38.5	88.7	128.6	108.5	20.1
1987	324.6	40.3	91.3	115.1	106.4	8.7
1992	324.6	50.8	87.7	105.1	99.5	5.6
1997	324.6	56.4	86.2	96.2	84.2	12.0

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	11.9%	27.3%	39.6%	33.4%	6.2%
1987	N/A	12.4%	28.1%	35.5%	32.8%	2.7%
1992	N/A	15.7%	27.0%	32.4%	30.7%	1.7%
1997	N/A	17.4%	26.6%	29.6%	25.9%	3.7%

**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
Portage County, Ohio

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	1.8	4.7%	10.5	26.1%	5.6	11.0%	17.9	46.5%
Forest Land	2.6	2.9%	-3.6	-3.9%	-1.5	-1.7%	-2.5	-2.8%
Total Farmland**	-13.5	-10.5%	-10	-8.7%	-8.9	-8.5%	-32.4	-25.2%
Crop Land	-2.1	-1.9%	-6.9	-6.5%	-15.3	-15.4%	-24.3	-22.4%
Pasture Land	-11.4	-56.7%	-3.1	-35.6%	6.4	114.3%	-8.1	-40.3%

**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

Portage County, Ohio

Township	Rural Zoning Available in 1997
ATWATER TOWNSHIP	Repealed Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
BRIMFIELD TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
CHARLESTOWN TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
EDINBURG TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
FREEDOM TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
HIRAM TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
MANTUA TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
NELSON TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
PALMYRA TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
PARIS TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
RANDOLPH TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
RAVENNA TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
ROOTSTOWN TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
SHALERSVILLE TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
SUFFIELD TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
WINDHAM TOWNSHIP	Enacted Township Rural Zoning or Equivalent
