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**The Impact of the Agricultural and Food Production Cluster to Gallia County**

Total **Value Added**: $37,233,957 representing **2%** of the county’s economy.

Total **Employment**: 1,352 representing **8%** of the county total.

Total **Labor Income**: $20,783,435 representing **3%** of the county total.

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<th>Value Added; Percent of County Total</th>
<th>Sum of Agricultural Production</th>
<th>$11.4 million; 0.76%</th>
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<th>Total Agricultural and Food Employment; Percent of County Total</th>
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<th>859; 5.30%</th>
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<th>Labor Income Contributed; Percent of County Total</th>
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**Taxes on Production and Imports**: $4,343,547

**Top Three Agricultural Production Sectors:**
Misc. Crop including Hay Production, Beef Cattle Production, and Farm Inputs, Equipment & Professional Services

Data for these calculations were obtained from IMPLAN and included in *The Economic Contribution of Agricultural and Food Production to the Ohio Economy* report (DiCarolis et al, 2017) by Ben Brown.
Ohio’s agricultural and food production cluster plus restaurants and bars accounts for $1 in every $13 of Ohio’s Gross State Product (GSP) and 1 in 8 jobs in Ohio.

The agricultural and food production cluster employed 402,874 Ohioans in 2015 and contributed $33 billion in value added directly to Ohio’s GSP.

The agriculture and food production cluster contributed an additional $20 billion to Ohio’s economy through the purchases of additional inputs.

The total contribution of the cluster to Ohio’s economy in 2015 was $53 billion (a multiplier of 1.6 for every dollar of value-added in the agriculture and food production cluster).

Since 1944, efficiency gains have led to decreases in employment of the following sectors:

- 24%-Ohio Farm Input Sector
- 38%- Agricultural Production
- 17%- Food Processing
- 47%- Food Wholesaling/Retailing

There has been strong growth in the farming and wholesaling/retailing sectors against decreasing employment, decreasing commodity prices, and decreasing relative contributions of these sectors to GSP.