



CONSERVATION ALMANAC

Tracking Investments in Protected Lands

State Dollars Spent and Acres Conserved (1998-2011)

State	Dollars	Acres
Pennsylvania	\$926,458,496	335,853
Ohio	\$472,110,866	132,690
Michigan	\$121,295,842	53,744
West Virginia	\$16,360,547	23,263

Example Almanac Parcel Map

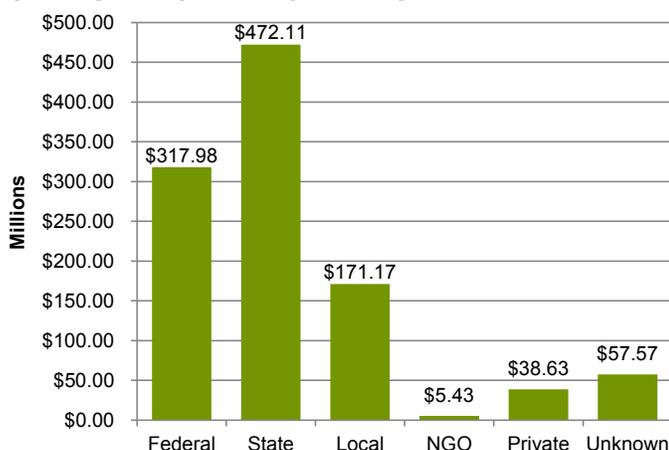


STATE HIGHLIGHTS IN CONSERVATION: Ohio

Conservation in Ohio

Passed by voters in 2000, the Clean Ohio Fund provided a \$400 million bond for land conservation and brownfields clean up. Voters passed a \$400 million renewal in 2008. A total of 241,398 acres were conserved in the state from 1998-2011. Over \$1.06 billion was invested in land conservation and natural resource protection in the same period.

Spending for acquisition by level of government, 1998-2011*



State Investment in Land Conservation

Ohio funds conservation with bonds, a tax check-off, revenue from license plate programs, and proceeds from a statewide revolving fund.

- Clean Ohio Fund – \$400 million statewide bond approved by voters in 2000 and re-authorized in 2008.
 - 4 Programs: Conservation, Brownfield Revitalization, Farmland Preservation, Recreational Trails.
 - Offers some grants to local programs and other organizations.
- The Department of Natural Resources funds conservation using a tax check-off and revenue from four license plate programs.
- Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program—established in 2000. Funded by interest payments on loans through the Water Pollution Loan Control Fund.

Local Investment

Ohio authorizes local governments to issue general obligation bonds, and to levy property and sales taxes for capital improvements, including land acquisition. Property and sales tax levies must be approved by voters.

Since 1998, 42 measures have been passed by Ohio voters in 32 counties, municipalities, and special districts.

Federal Investment

The following federal programs and federal agencies have contributed funds and conserved land in Ohio:

- NOAA - Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program (CELCP)
- Natural Resources Conservation Service
 - Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program
 - Grassland Reserve Program (GRP)
 - Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 - LWCF Federal
 - North American Wetlands Conservation Act
- U.S. Forest Service
 - Forest Legacy Program (FLP)
 - LWCF Federal
- U.S. National Park Service
 - LWCF Federal and LWCF Stateside

Note: Parcel-level spatial data is not available for all records included in the Conservation Almanac. In Ohio we have mapped 51 percent of acres and 61 percent of dollars, shown as points on this map.

Statistics are generated using data collected for and included in the Conservation Almanac. Almanac data collection efforts focus on land conserved using public dollars: contributions funded by private and non-governmental organizations may not be comprehensive. Data current as of September 2014.

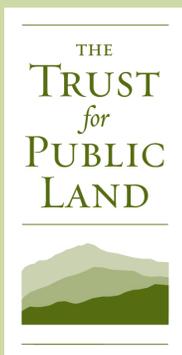
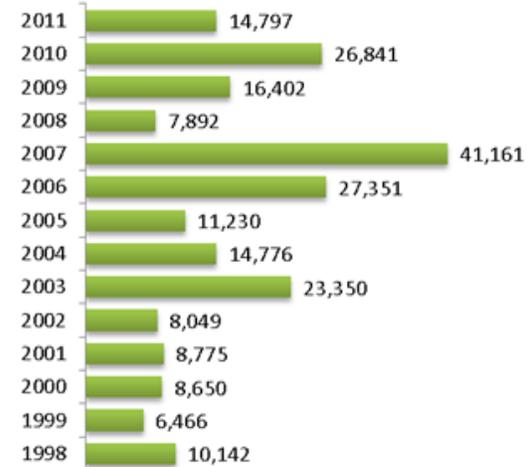
Conservation Snapshot

The tables below provide a snapshot look at land conservation activity through the most common available metrics: public dollars spent and acres conserved. These charts omit parcels not classified as fee simple purchases or conservation easements.

Public Dollars Spent Annually for Conservation, 1998-2011*



Total Acres Conserved Annually, 1998-2011*



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THE CONSERVATION ALMANAC

A comprehensive database of land conservation and conservation funding in America, the Conservation Almanac provides a context for assessing impacts of conservation and the growing conservation finance movement. The Almanac offers information on public dollars spent and acres conserved, details on local, state, and federal conservation programs, and provides geospatial mapping of conserved land.