

FARMLAND PRESERVATION

PROPOSED GOAL:

Preserving our working farms and supporting the agricultural community so agriculture remains viable in the County.



Cumberland County ranks 9th in the state for farmland acres preserved.

Acres of Farmland in County	Acres of Farmland Preserved in County	Number of Farms in County	Number of Farms Preserved in County	Cash Receipts from Agriculture in County	Largest Agriculture Industry
156,000 ACRES (44% of County)	15,000 ACRES (4.2% of County)	1,549 FARMS	130 FARMS (8.4% of Total)	\$129.4 MILLION	LIVESTOCK & PRODUCTS \$92M (Dairy \$58M of \$92M)

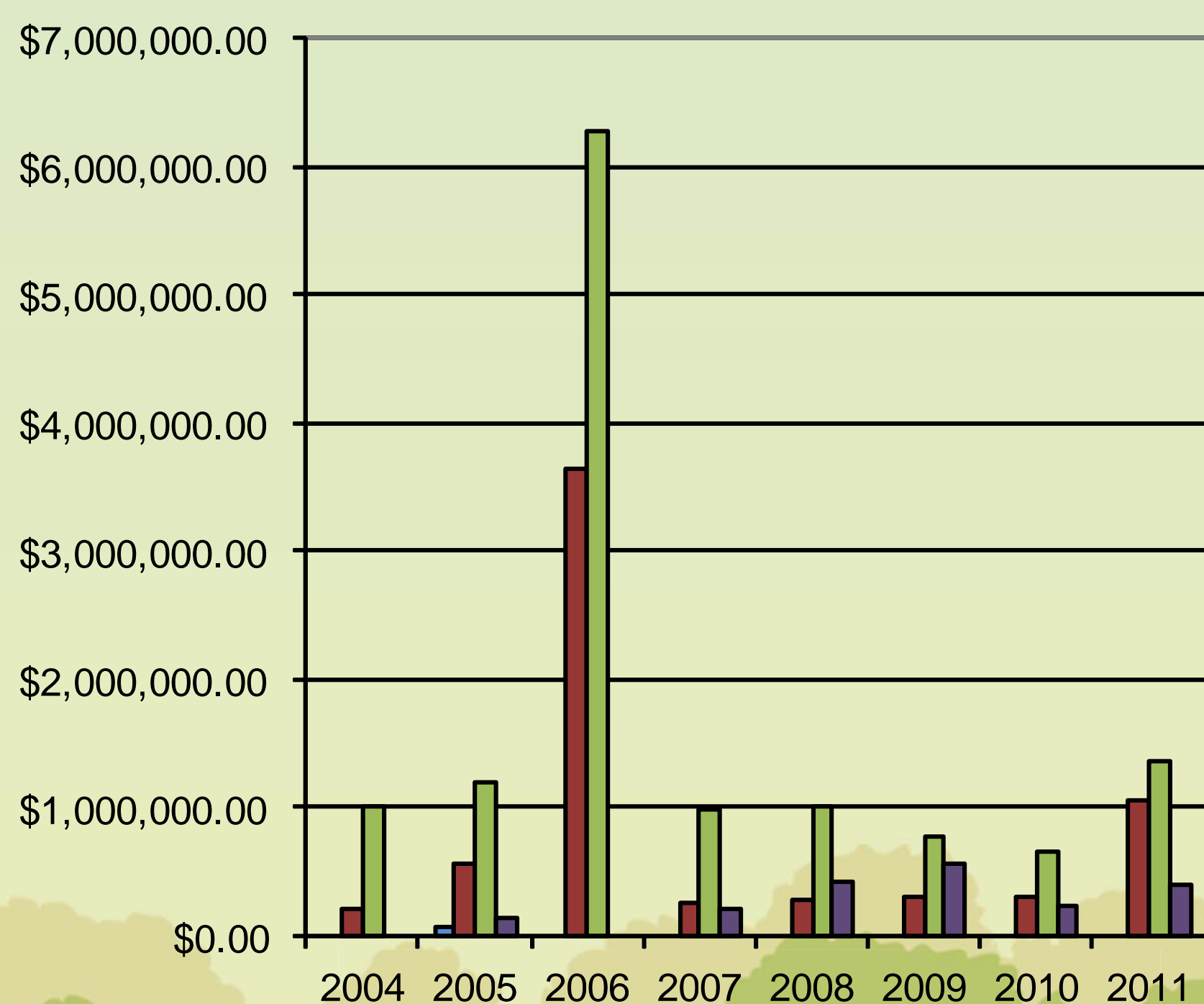
Sources: PA Agricultural Statistics 2010-2011, USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, Cumberland County

WHY PRESERVE FARMLAND?

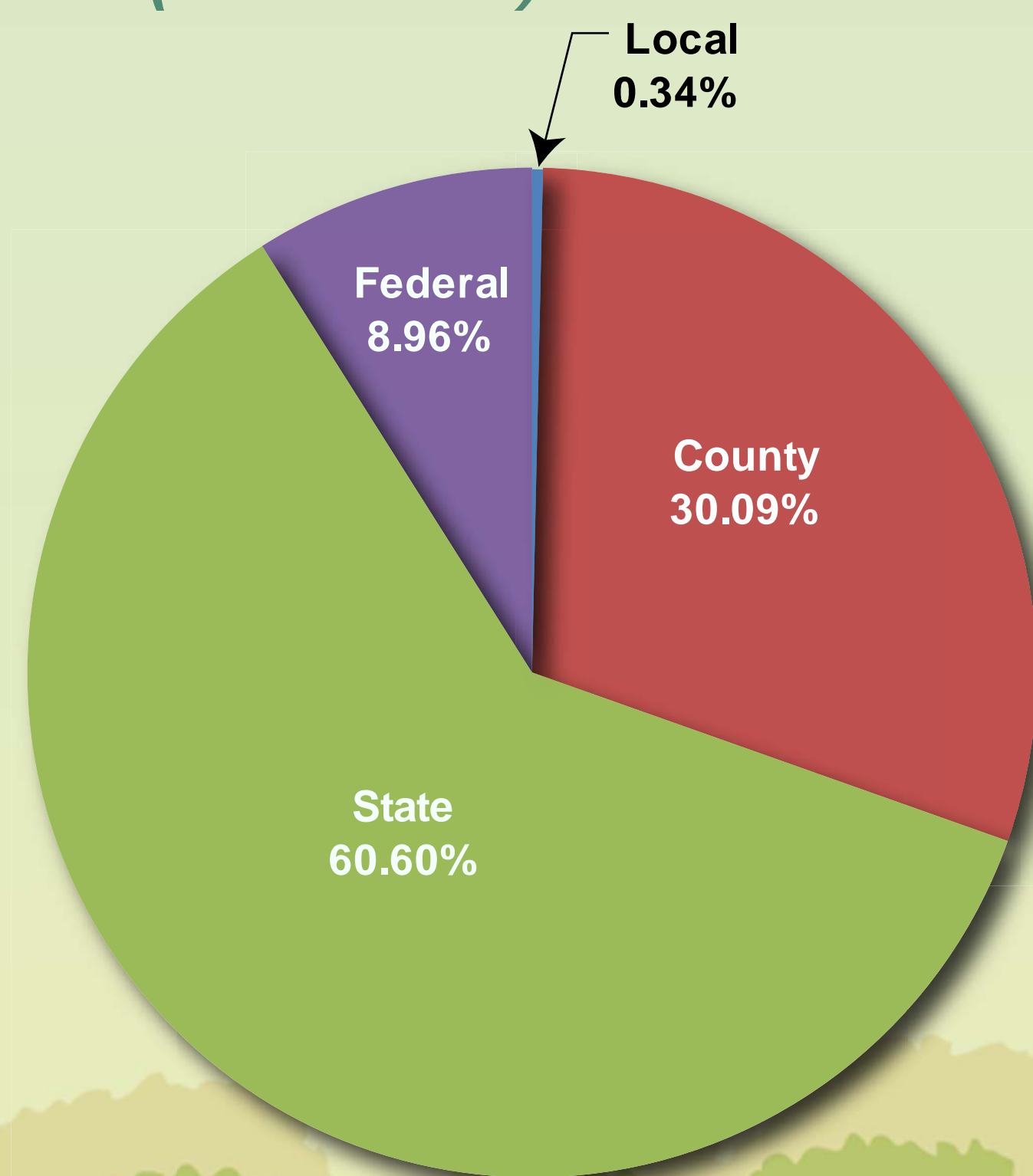
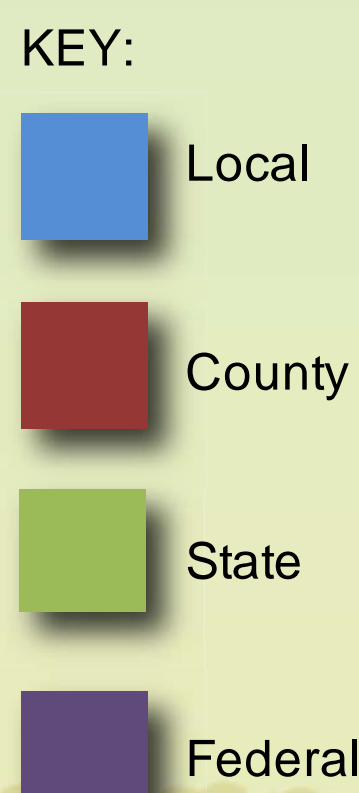
1. Farmland is a rapidly disappearing natural resource.
2. Local farms provide fresh food at a reasonable cost.
3. Protecting local farmland keeps property taxes down.
4. Preserved farmland protects local scenery and promotes local tourism.
5. Local farm businesses support farm and farm-related jobs.
6. Locally protected farms benefit the environment.

Source: Pennsylvania Farmland Preservation Association - www.pafarmland.org

FARMLAND PRESERVATION FUNDING (2004-2011)



FUNDING BREAKDOWN BY YEAR



FUNDING SOURCES