



## Ohio Revised Code

### Section 940.42 Data and records.

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(A) Data or records of a person's agricultural operations, conservation or water quality improvement practices, or proposed utilization of such practices collected or maintained by the department of agriculture, a soil or water conservation district, an institution of higher education, as defined in section 3345.12 of the Revised Code, or any other state agency are not a public record subject to disclosure under section 149.43 of the Revised Code.

(B) The department may share such data or records with state agencies and institutions of higher education, as defined in section 3345.12 of the Revised Code, for the purpose of water quality research if all of the following apply:

(1) The data or records of conservation or water quality improvement practices are aggregated.

(2) The aggregated data or records do not include any information that identifies an individual.

(3) The aggregated data or records include a description of the conservation or water quality improvement practices.

(4) The aggregated data or records identify the watershed, by the watershed's hydrologic unit code, where the conservation or water quality improvement practices are being or have been utilized.

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