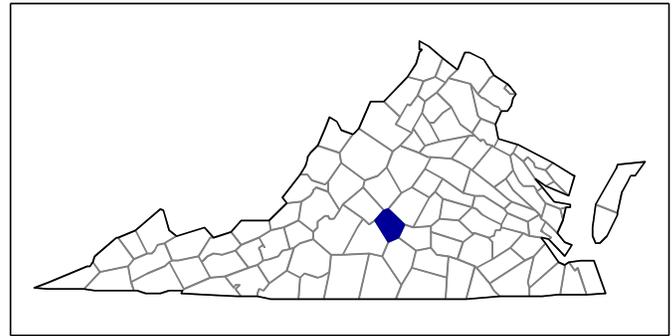




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Number of farms

389 farms in 2002, 406 farms in 1997, down 4 percent.

Land in farms

84,971 acres in 2002, 79,155 acres in 1997, up 7 percent.

Average size of farm

218 acres in 2002, 195 acres in 1997, up 12 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$6,682,000 in 2002, \$6,826,000 in 1997, down 2 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$1,452,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$5,230,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

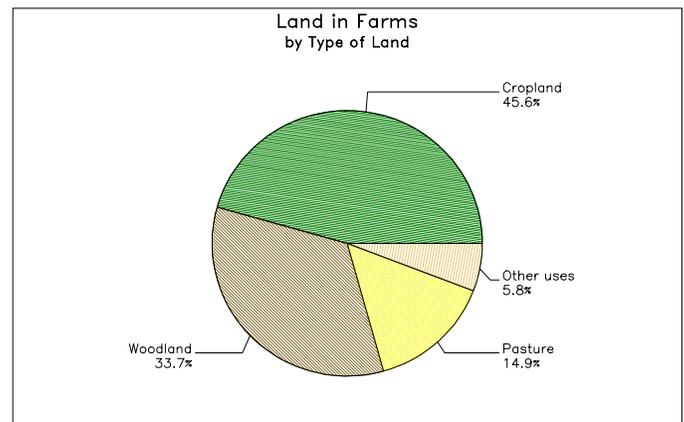
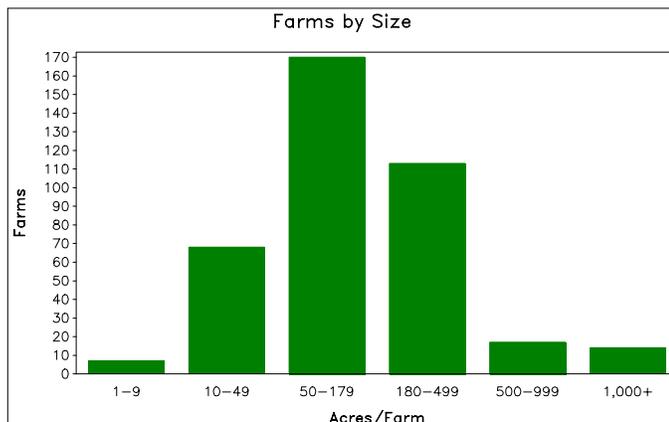
\$17,177 in 2002, \$16,812 in 1997, up 2 percent.

Government Payments

\$256,000 in 2002, \$130,000 in 1997, up 97 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,884 in 2002, \$1,137 in 1997, up 66 percent.



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Ranked items among the 98 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	6,682	68	98	2,665	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,452	80	97	2,614	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,230	56	98	2,329	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	308	58	95	2,140	2,871
Tobacco	368	22	43	337	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	89	57	95	1,773	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	76	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	523	44	97	1,860	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	3,448	42	97	1,806	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,108	44	83	1,312	2,493
Hogs and pigs	4	65	90	2,565	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	44	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	6	51	87	2,025	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	17,533	36	97	1,580	3,059
Quail	675	8	34	442	1,412
Pheasants	452	4	41	458	1,541
All Goats	359	41	95	1,309	2,971
Layers 20 weeks old and older ³	(D)	(D)	96	(D)	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	18,289	34	97	1,188	3,059
Soybeans	1,040	54	79	1,523	2,076
All Wheat for grain	922	37	87	1,570	2,517
Corn for grain	614	62	96	1,921	2,592
Corn for silage	585	48	87	1,359	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	76	Farming	202
\$1,000 to \$2,499	68	Other	187
\$2,500 to \$4,999	58		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	74	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	48	Male	340
\$20,000 to \$24,999	11	Female	49
\$25,000 to \$39,999	23		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	10		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	13	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2	White	538
\$500,000 or more	1	Black or African American	11
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	6,354	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	16,209	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	59	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	150	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	4

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.

³ Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.