

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased slightly from 45,451 acres in 1992 to 45,684 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 3 percent from 267 acres in 1992 to 260 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 7 percent from 73 farms in 1992 to 78 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

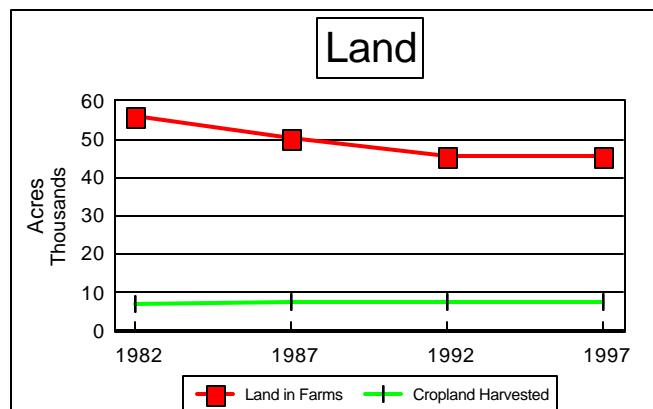
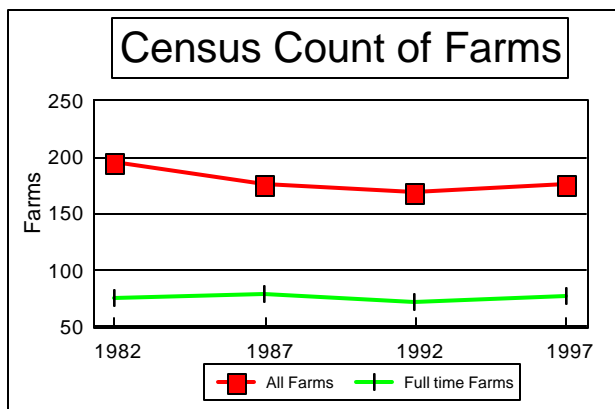
Increased 2 percent to \$2,635,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 10 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 90 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 1 percent from \$15,182 in 1992 to \$14,970 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	2,635	89	98	2,909	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	2,370	73	97	2,668	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	265	93	98	2,959	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	1,597	55	97	2,302	3,063
Dairy products	455	57	72	1,797	2,563
All other livestock & products	(D)	4	38	192	1,649
Nursery and greenhouse crops	142	77	97	1,895	2,790
Aquaculture	(D)	9	50	380	1,505
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	3,781	58	97	2,354	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	158	44	89	1,828	2,765
Rabbits and their pelts sold	85	24	40	860	1,593
All goats sold	(D)	38	90	1,258	2,686
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	87	93	2,829	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	7,627	57	97	2,353	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	247	64	95	2,203	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	229	45	93	1,792	2,864
All goat inventory	119	56	95	1,600	2,983
Horse and pony inventory	105	84	97	2,846	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	7,245	58	97	1,993	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	172	69	86	1,869	2,473
All nursery-acres	94	45	93	1,230	2,619
Corn for grain-acres	63	91	97	2,419	2,691
Oats-acres	(D)	47	74	2,019	2,332

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	108	92	17
\$10,000 or more	68	78	-13
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	2,710	2,336	16
Average per farmdollars..	15,224	13,740	11
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	85	241	-65
Average per farmdollars..	477	1,420	-66
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	161	154	5
Partnership or corporation	15	16	-6
Other			
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	78	73	7
Other	98	97	1
Operators by sex:			
Male	159	150	6
Female	17	20	-15
Operators by race:			
White	176	170	4
Black and other races			
Average age of operator	56.1	55.0	2

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

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