

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service



DINWIDDIE VIRGINIA

Land in farms

Increased 4 percent from 85,954 acres in 1992 to 89,260 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 2 percent from 250 acres in 1992 to 254 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 6 percent from 164 farms in 1992 to 154 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

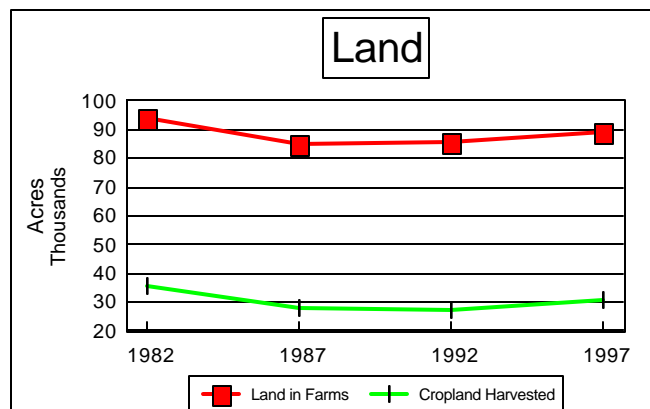
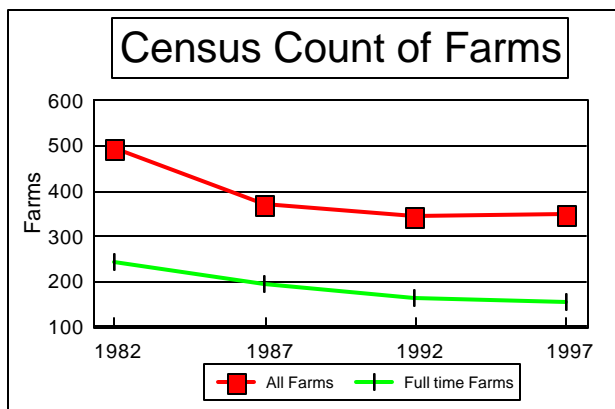
Increased 8 percent to \$18,143,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 76 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 24 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 6 percent from \$48,911 in 1992 to \$51,691 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	18,143	36	98	2,183	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	13,845	14	98	1,538	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	4,298	60	97	2,427	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Tobacco	6,951	9	47	125	580
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	1,974	9	83	364	2,237
Soybeans	1,845	16	77	1,006	2,136
Dairy products	1,596	41	72	1,167	2,563
Cotton, cottonseed	1,309	6	21	362	709
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	24	44	588	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	11	68	443	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	4,273	21	93	1,284	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	3,217	61	97	2,451	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	17	62	995	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	(D)	22	63	556	2,620
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	9	75	312	2,549
Cattle and calves inventory	6,612	59	97	2,433	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	2,259	21	96	1,295	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	448	43	95	1,765	3,002
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	12,761	15	77	928	2,144
Hay crops-acres	5,004	62	97	2,285	3,061
Wheat-acres	4,156	22	87	1,148	2,612
Cotton-acres	3,446	6	23	364	713
Peanuts-acres	2,772	7	18	102	466

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	222	189	17
\$10,000 or more	129	155	-17
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	14,182	12,341	15
Average per farmdollars..	40,404	35,771	13
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	3,757	4,861	-23
Average per farmdollars..	10,704	14,091	-24
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	316	306	3
Partnership or corporation	34	34	
Other	1	4	-75
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	154	164	-6
Other	197	180	9
Operators by sex:			
Male	315	317	-1
Female	36	27	33
Operators by race:			
White	310	311	-0
Black and other races	41	33	24
Average age of operator	56.6	54.4	4

(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.