

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service



FLOYD VIRGINIA

Land in farms

Increased 5 percent from 116,509 acres in 1992 to 122,613 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 10 percent from 153 acres in 1992 to 168 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 6 percent from 339 farms in 1992 to 317 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

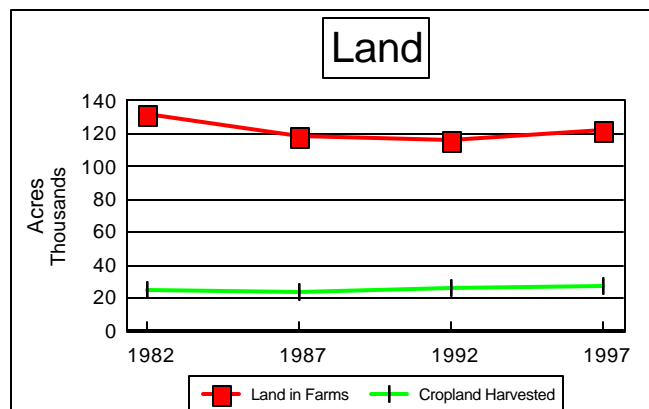
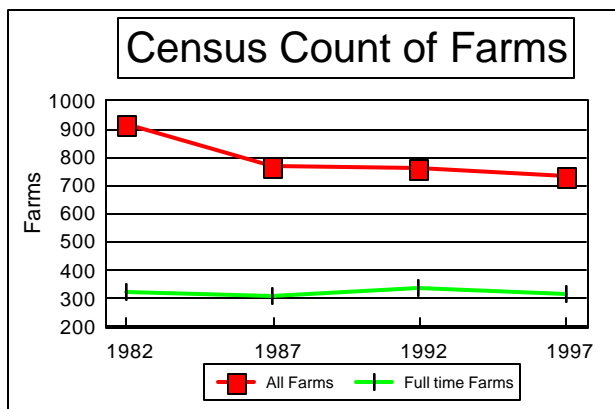
Increased 41 percent to \$30,063,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 39 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 61 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 47 percent from \$28,064 in 1992 to \$41,126 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	30,063	19	98	1,720	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	18,429	14	97	1,331	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	11,634	21	98	1,661	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	14,634	5	97	621	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	10,888	3	97	189	2,790
Dairy products	3,608	19	72	780	2,563
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	505	19	97	1,602	3,043
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	118	39	96	1,311	2,739
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	29,646	5	97	644	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	339	30	89	1,463	2,765
Horses and ponies sold	46	33	96	1,748	3,015
Hogs and pigs sold	36	85	93	2,774	2,976
All goats sold	23	64	90	1,942	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	33,948	13	97	993	3,064
Sheep and lamb inventory	735	24	93	1,163	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	625	26	97	1,289	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	428	46	95	1,808	3,002
All goat inventory	132	53	95	1,516	2,983
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	21,397	17	97	971	3,061
All nursery-acres	4,619	1	93	45	2,619
Corn for silage-acres	2,391	15	86	598	2,473
Cut christmas trees harvested-acres	1,450	1	81	15	1,965
Corn for grain-acres	313	77	97	2,175	2,691

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	456	477	-4
\$10,000 or more	275	284	-3
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	22,605	17,063	32
Average per farmdollars..	30,839	22,422	38
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	6,827	3,825	78
Average per farmdollars..	9,313	5,026	85
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	648	700	-7
Partnership or corporation	83	60	38
Other	-	1	-100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	317	339	-6
Other	414	422	-2
Operators by sex:			
Male	666	697	-4
Female	65	64	2
Operators by race:			
White	718	746	-4
Black and other races	13	15	-13
Average age of operator	57.9	56.7	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.