

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service



JAMES CITY VIRGINIA

Land in farms

Decreased 7 percent from 9,559 acres in 1992 to 8,861 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 3 percent from 157 acres in 1992 to 153 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 4 percent from 28 farms in 1992 to 27 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

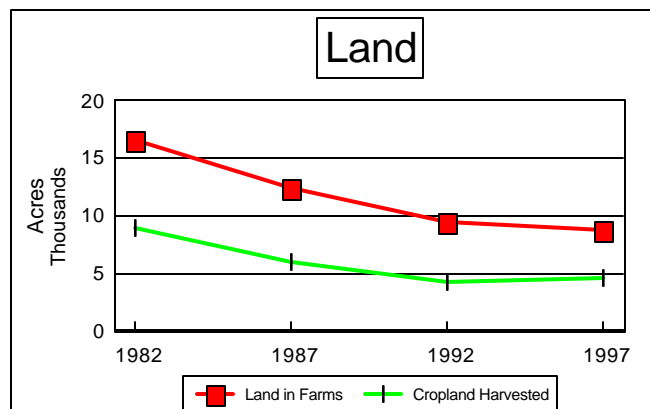
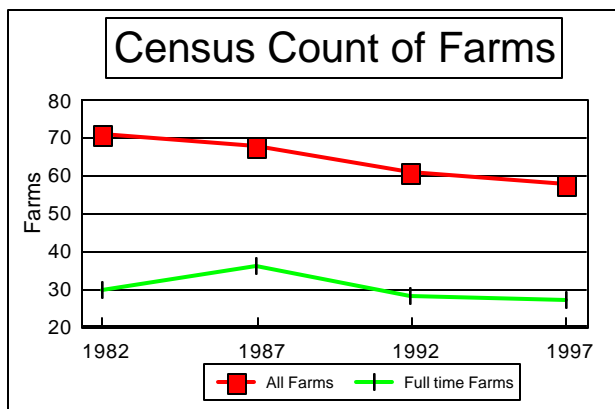
Decreased 22 percent to \$1,892,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 80 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 20 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 18 percent from \$39,810 in 1992 to \$32,615 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	1,892	94	98	2,952	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	1,505	79	98	2,606	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	387	88	97	2,970	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	468	16	96	773	2,739
Corn for grain	419	41	94	1,619	2,582
Soybeans	183	51	77	1,559	2,136
Dairy products	(D)	65	72	2,152	2,563
Wheat	145	47	83	1,620	2,578
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	35	93	1,815	2,976
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	14	62	809	2,200
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	22	68	1,047	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	294	89	97	2,969	3,063
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	34	44	1,528	1,882
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	916	85	97	2,945	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	(D)	25	95	1,384	3,002
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	38	96	1,875	3,005
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	17	75	682	2,549
Horse and pony inventory	163	71	97	2,682	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Soybeans for beans-acres	1,965	47	77	1,415	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	1,363	50	97	1,761	2,691
Hay crops-acres	900	81	97	2,887	3,061
Wheat-acres	787	47	87	1,744	2,612
Barley-acres	368	32	72	563	1,411

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	38	40	-5
\$10,000 or more	20	21	-5
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	1,430	(D)	
Average per farmdollars..	24,657	(D)	
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	462	361	28
Average per farmdollars..	7,957	5,920	34
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	47	51	-8
Partnership or corporation	11	9	22
Other	-	1	-100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	27	28	-4
Other	31	33	-6
Operators by sex:			
Male	49	55	-11
Female	9	6	50
Operators by race:			
White	56	57	-2
Black and other races	2	4	-50
Average age of operator	58.9	55.5	6

(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.