

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service



AUGUSTA VIRGINIA

Land in farms

Decreased 2 percent from 287,442 acres in 1992 to 282,152 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 1 percent from 190 acres in 1992 to 188 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased slightly from 727 farms in 1992 to 724 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

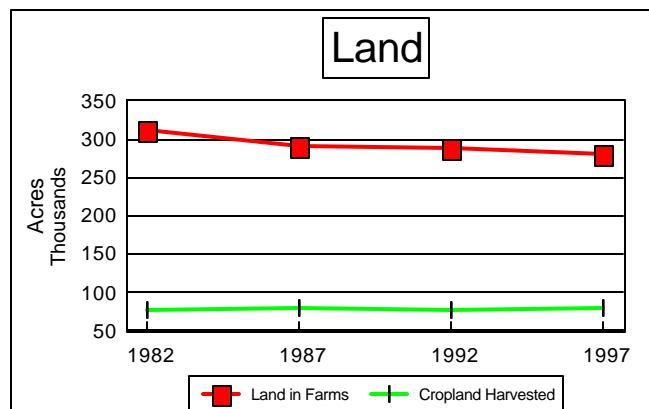
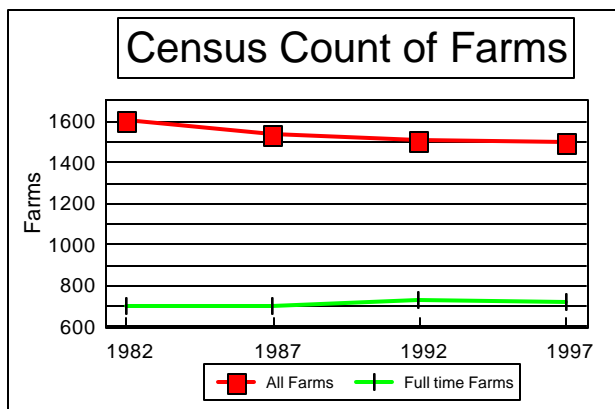
Increased 25 percent to \$138,673,000 in 1997.

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

Increased 26 percent from \$73,411 in 1992 to \$92,510 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	138,673	2	98	286	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	124,983	2	97	123	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	13,690	15	98	1,552	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	73,679	3	92	74	2,901
Cattle and calves	26,528	2	97	279	3,063
Dairy products	23,003	3	72	186	2,563
Nursery and greenhouse crops	8,577	5	97	252	2,790
Corn for grain	2,145	12	94	1,091	2,582
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	7,934,301	7	44	213	1,882
Turkeys sold	6,406,207	2	37	6	1,353
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	362,415	6	68	226	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	54,387	2	97	256	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	6,735	1	89	183	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
All turkeys inventory	2,206,387	2	73	5	2,361
Broiler inventory	911,027	8	63	245	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	216,053	6	95	281	3,002
Cattle and calves inventory	102,641	2	97	125	3,064
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	4	50	203	1,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	53,012	1	97	234	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	11,674	5	97	1,024	2,691
Corn for silage-acres	11,376	3	86	100	2,473
Wheat-acres	2,765	28	87	1,302	2,612
Soybeans for beans-acres	2,354	44	77	1,373	2,144

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	783	748	5
\$10,000 or more	716	766	-7
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	123,270	95,254	29
Average per farmdollars..	82,125	62,957	30
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	15,323	13,410	14
Average per farmdollars..	10,208	8,863	15
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	1,295	1,324	-2
Partnership or corporation	195	182	7
Other	9	8	13
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	724	727	-0
Other	775	787	-2
Operators by sex:			
Male	1,362	1,401	-3
Female	137	113	21
Operators by race:			
White	1,495	1,506	-1
Black and other races	4	8	-50
Average age of operator	55.7	54.7	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.