

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service



SOUTHAMPTON VIRGINIA

Land in farms

Increased 4 percent from 178,469 acres in 1992 to 185,496 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 24 percent from 542 acres in 1992 to 670 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 17 percent from 230 farms in 1992 to 192 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

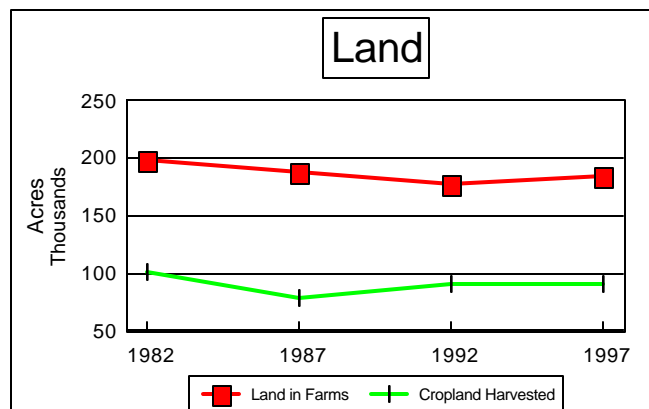
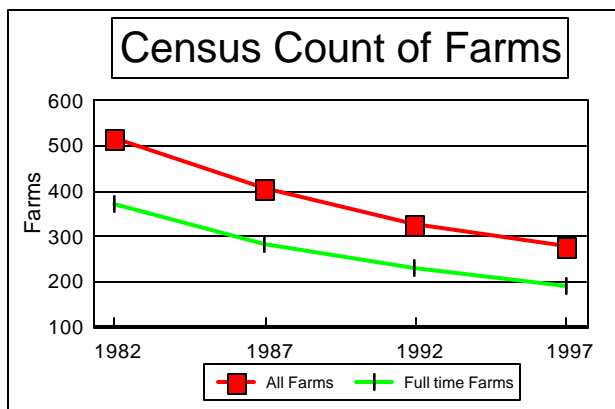
Decreased 2 percent to \$55,090,000 in 1997.

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 17 percent from \$170,601 in 1992 to \$198,881 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
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MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	55,090	8	98	1,082	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	42,023	2	98	686	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	13,067	28	97	1,635	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cotton, cottonseed	18,512	1	21	82	709
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	17,170	1	83	80	2,237
Hogs and pigs	8,339	4	93	383	2,976
Poultry & poultry products	3,634	16	92	667	2,901
Soybeans	2,031	14	77	977	2,136
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	1,424,497	14	44	423	1,882
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	14	68	535	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	69,526	4	93	424	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	2,732	62	97	2,524	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	84	58	89	2,073	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	265,805	15	63	414	2,620
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	72,178	9	95	498	3,002
Hogs and pigs inventory	43,891	4	96	338	3,005
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	11	75	347	2,549
Cattle and calves inventory	5,628	62	97	2,506	3,064
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Cotton-acres	40,368	1	23	89	713
Peanuts-acres	22,888	1	18	10	466
Soybeans for beans-acres	12,778	14	77	926	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	10,037	12	97	1,087	2,691
Wheat-acres	5,001	20	87	1,060	2,612

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	68	58	17
\$10,000 or more	209	271	-23
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	44,487	43,007	3
Average per farmdollars..	161,185	130,721	23
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	8,154	12,539	-35
Average per farmdollars..	29,543	38,112	-22
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	218	265	-18
Partnership or corporation	57	60	-5
Other	2	4	-50
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	192	230	-17
Other	85	99	-14
Operators by sex:			
Male	267	319	-16
Female	10	10	
Operators by race:			
White	254	299	-15
Black and other races	23	30	-23
Average age of operator	51.6	51.4	0

(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.