

## 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

### Culpeper, Virginia

#### Number of farms

669 farms in 2002, 638 farms in 1997, up 5 percent.

#### Land in farms

125,121 acres in 2002, 122,229 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

#### Average size of farm

187 acres in 2002, 192 acres in 1997, down 3 percent.

#### Market Value of Production

\$36,713,000 in 2002, \$22,094,000 in 1997, up 66 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$18,851,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$17,861,000 of the total value in 2002.

#### Market Value of Production, average per farm

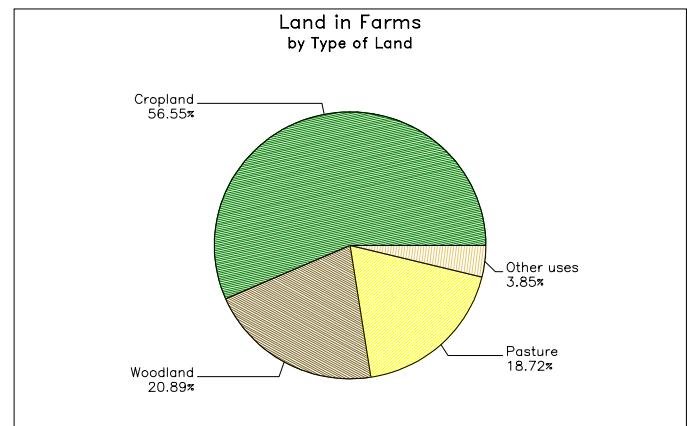
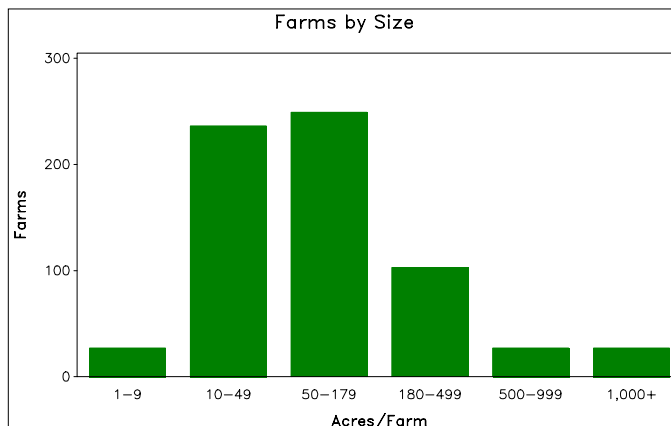
\$54,877 in 2002, \$34,629 in 1997, up 58 percent.

#### Government Payments

\$694,000 in 2002, \$520,000 in 1997, up 33 percent.

#### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,984 in 2002, \$3,851 in 1997, up 55 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 98 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	36,713	14	98	1,516	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	18,851	11	97	1,217	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	17,861	21	98	1,394	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,768	21	95	1,448	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	43	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	128	45	95	1,587	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	175	35	93	978	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	14,822	5	95	190	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	146	9	76	335	1,774
Other crops and hay	811	29	97	1,459	3,046
Poultry and eggs	7	58	94	2,103	2,918
Cattle and calves	8,778	17	97	1,080	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	7,825	6	83	460	2,493
Hogs and pigs	16	46	90	2,133	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	55	26	93	1,189	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,171	6	94	104	3,014
Aquaculture	1	39	44	1,284	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	8	44	87	1,899	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	30,166	17	97	1,053	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,009	10	97	479	3,065
Sheep and lambs	1,041	17	93	946	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	990	35	96	1,400	2,983
All Goats	379	38	95	1,252	2,971
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	28,431	13	97	774	3,059
Corn for grain	8,490	16	96	1,104	2,592
Soybeans	6,032	26	79	1,156	2,076
Corn for silage	5,061	5	87	362	2,307
All Wheat for grain	1,246	34	87	1,460	2,517

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	172
\$1,000 to \$2,499	98
\$2,500 to \$4,999	117
\$5,000 to \$9,999	75
\$10,000 to \$19,999	89
\$20,000 to \$24,999	17
\$25,000 to \$39,999	26
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	26
\$100,000 to \$249,999	15
\$250,000 to \$499,999	9
\$500,000 or more	16
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	34,186
Average per farm (\$)	51,177
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,753
Average per farm (\$)	7,115

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	329
Other	340
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	549
Female	120
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.6
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	965
Black or African American	43
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	1
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	11

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.