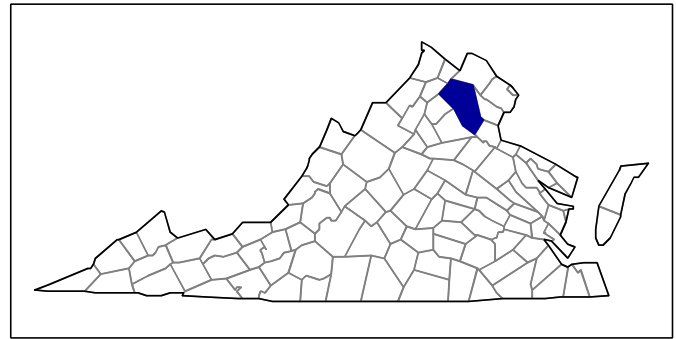




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Fauquier, Virginia

Number of farms

1,344 farms in 2002, 1,244 farms in 1997, up 8 percent.

Land in farms

238,135 acres in 2002, 256,410 acres in 1997, down 7 percent.

Average size of farm

177 acres in 2002, 206 acres in 1997, down 14 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$45,441,000 in 2002, \$49,546,000 in 1997, down 8 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$9,554,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$35,887,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

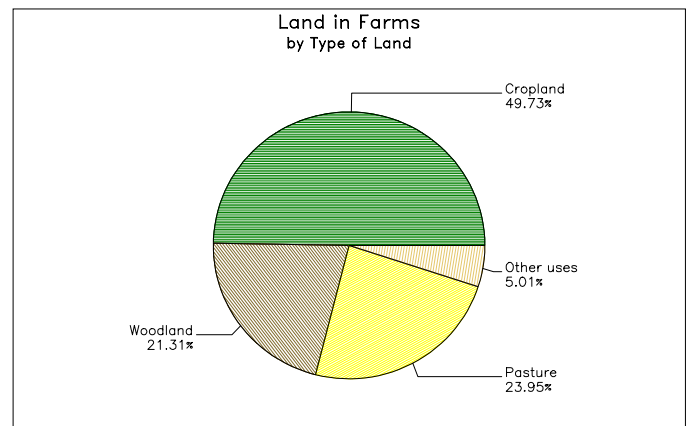
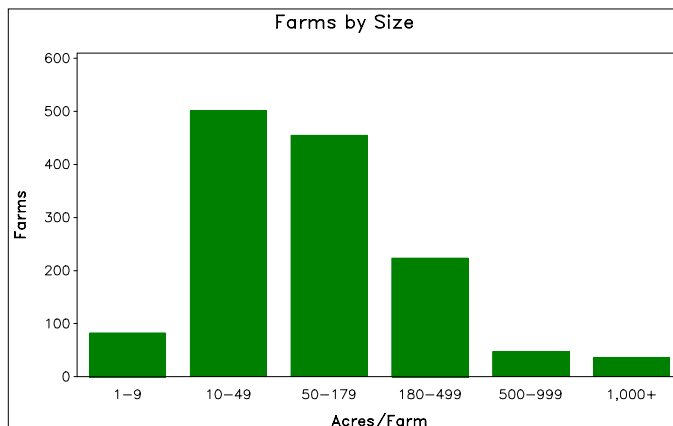
\$33,810 in 2002, \$39,828 in 1997, down 15 percent.

Government Payments

\$829,000 in 2002, \$550,000 in 1997, up 51 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$7,029 in 2002, \$4,864 in 1997, up 45 percent.



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United States Department of Agriculture, Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service**

Fauquier, Virginia

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

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	45,441	9	98	1,277	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	9,554	22	97	1,682	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	35,887	8	98	810	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,615	23	95	1,477	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	43	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	367	22	95	1,103	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	1,020	12	93	353	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	3,087	20	95	630	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	205	7	76	270	1,774
Other crops and hay	2,260	9	97	559	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	18,084	5	97	577	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	10,151	4	83	374	2,493
Hogs and pigs	56	33	90	1,651	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	762	1	93	124	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	6,724	2	94	14	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	44	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	92	12	87	898	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	52,817	4	97	521	3,059
Horses and ponies	6,231	1	97	21	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,986	25	96	1,009	2,983
Sheep and lambs	866	24	93	1,079	2,867
All Goats	610	27	95	843	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	48,505	3	97	316	3,059
Corn for grain	9,782	14	96	1,066	2,592
Soybeans	6,236	23	79	1,148	2,076
Corn for silage	5,875	4	87	309	2,307
Barley	1,601	9	73	234	1,246

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	389
\$1,000 to \$2,499	202
\$2,500 to \$4,999	189
\$5,000 to \$9,999	184
\$10,000 to \$19,999	155
\$20,000 to \$24,999	34
\$25,000 to \$39,999	50
\$40,000 to \$49,999	20
\$50,000 to \$99,999	54
\$100,000 to \$249,999	26
\$250,000 to \$499,999	18
\$500,000 or more	23
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	49,286
Average per farm (\$)	36,863
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-2,843
Average per farm (\$)	-2,126

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	721
Other	623
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	938
Female	406
Average age of principal operator (years)	57.8
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,996
Black or African American	43
American Indian or Alaska Native	7
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
Asian	4
More than one race	16
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	33

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

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.