

## 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

### Franklin, Virginia

#### Number of farms

1,012 farms in 2002, 1,072 farms in 1997, down 6 percent.

#### Land in farms

172,539 acres in 2002, 171,755 acres in 1997, up slightly.

#### Average size of farm

170 acres in 2002, 160 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

#### Market Value of Production

\$36,501,000 in 2002, \$41,443,000 in 1997, down 12 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$6,299,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$30,203,000 of the total value in 2002.

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

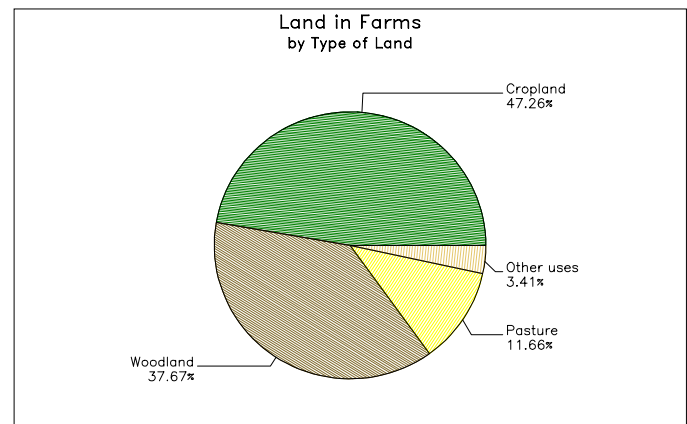
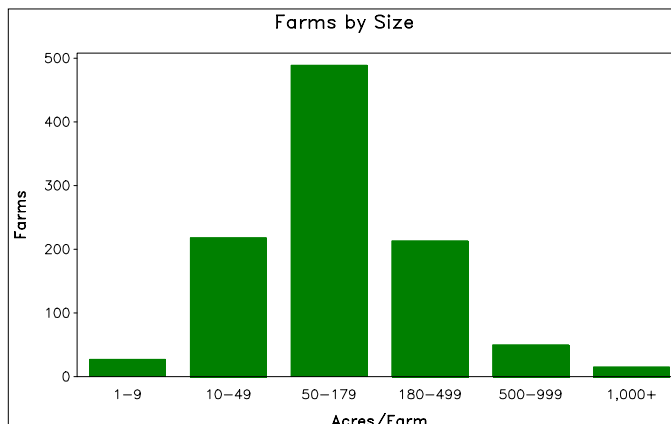
\$36,068 in 2002, \$38,660 in 1997, down 7 percent.

#### Government Payments

\$1,547,000 in 2002, \$234,000 in 1997, up 561 percent.

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

\$7,262 in 2002, \$1,831 in 1997, up 297 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	36,501	15	98	1,520	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	6,299	39	97	1,952	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	30,203	9	98	931	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	679	44	95	1,900	2,871
Tobacco	3,207	11	43	144	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	125	47	95	1,598	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	263	24	93	782	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,187	34	95	1,024	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	13	51	76	1,094	1,774
Other crops and hay	826	27	97	1,438	3,046
Poultry and eggs	8	56	94	2,051	2,918
Cattle and calves	7,832	18	97	1,170	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	21,954	3	83	206	2,493
Hogs and pigs	78	29	90	1,538	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	17	52	93	2,008	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	244	30	94	930	3,014
Aquaculture	25	28	44	818	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	45	18	87	1,185	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	42,984	9	97	706	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	988	36	96	1,402	2,983
Horses and ponies	881	31	97	1,455	3,065
Hogs and pigs	437	27	87	1,695	2,926
Colonies of bees	350	11	80	709	2,392
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	35,033	8	97	592	3,059
Corn for silage	10,183	3	87	150	2,307
Corn for grain	2,674	36	96	1,480	2,592
Tobacco	799	12	43	157	563
All Wheat for grain	641	48	87	1,706	2,517

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	215	Farming	578
\$1,000 to \$2,499	162	Other	434
\$2,500 to \$4,999	148		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	175	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	118	Male	911
\$20,000 to \$24,999	22	Female	101
\$25,000 to \$39,999	40		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	37		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	43	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	37	White	1,346
\$500,000 or more	10	Black or African American	69
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	32,821	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Average per farm (\$)	32,463	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	7,701	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	7,617	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	6

(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.