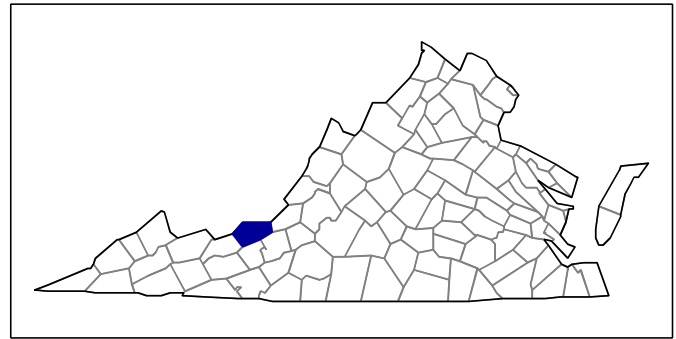




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Number of farms

407 farms in 2002, 421 farms in 1997, down 3 percent.

Land in farms

68,329 acres in 2002, 75,239 acres in 1997, down 9 percent.

Average size of farm

168 acres in 2002, 179 acres in 1997, down 6 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$5,341,000 in 2002, \$4,490,000 in 1997, up 19 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$1,176,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$4,165,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

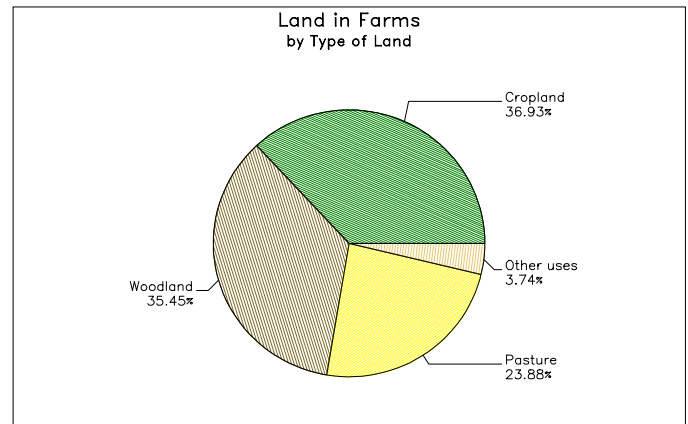
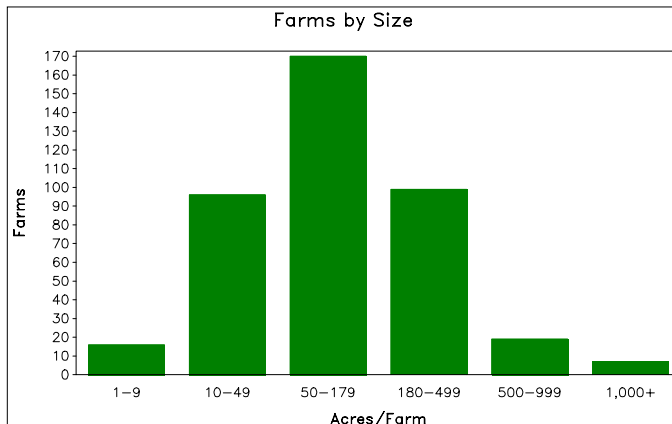
\$13,123 in 2002, \$10,664 in 1997, up 23 percent.

Government Payments

\$53,000 in 2002, \$11,000 in 1997, up 382 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,814 in 2002, \$642 in 1997, up 183 percent.



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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	5,341	78	98	2,754	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,176	82	97	2,677	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	4,165	63	98	2,422	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	15	88	95	2,696	2,871
Tobacco	(D)	(D)	43	(D)	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	272	23	93	773	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	651	47	95	1,291	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	42	32	76	696	1,774
Other crops and hay	184	75	97	2,560	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	3,713	39	97	1,750	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	254	58	83	1,927	2,493
Hogs and pigs	-	-	90	-	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	66	24	93	1,077	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	44	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	73	14	87	996	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	11,150	48	97	1,960	3,059
Sheep and lambs	1,030	18	93	956	2,867
Horses and ponies	550	49	97	2,046	3,065
All Goats	479	32	95	1,037	2,971
Bison	(D)	4	19	(D)	1,321
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,358	52	97	1,839	3,059
Corn for silage	194	67	87	1,776	2,307
Apples	168	15	87	265	2,173
Corn for grain	75	89	96	2,353	2,592
Cut Christmas trees	65	40	81	743	1,877

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	79	Farming	214
\$1,000 to \$2,499	56	Other	193
\$2,500 to \$4,999	61		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	83	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	70	Male	369
\$20,000 to \$24,999	14	Female	38
\$25,000 to \$39,999	21		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	9		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	8	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2	White	547
\$500,000 or more	-	Black or African American	3
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	4,156	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Average per farm (\$)	10,187	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	201	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	492	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	8

(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.