

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Gloucester, Virginia

Number of farms

153 farms in 2002, 136 farms in 1997, up 13 percent.

Land in farms

25,699 acres in 2002, 24,697 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

Average size of farm

168 acres in 2002, 182 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$4,599,000 in 2002, \$5,201,000 in 1997, down 12 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$3,774,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$824,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

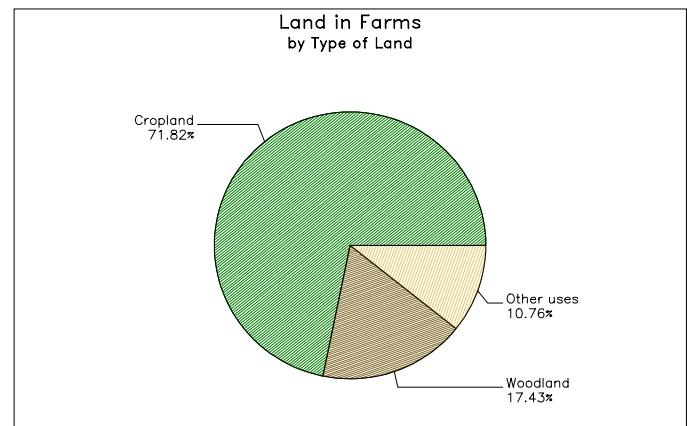
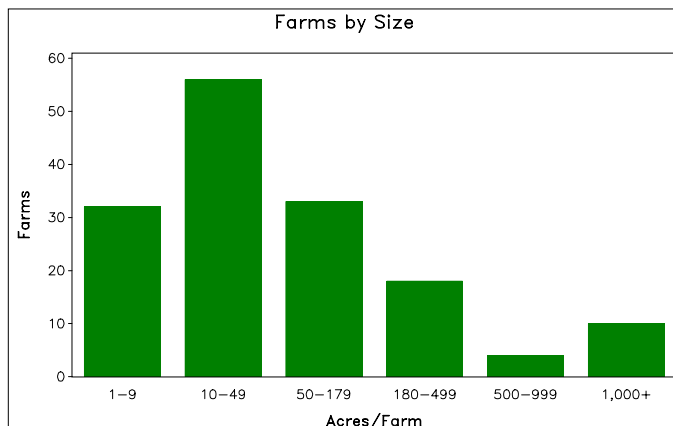
\$30,056 in 2002, \$38,242 in 1997, down 21 percent.

Government Payments

\$161,000 in 2002, \$153,000 in 1997, up 5 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$6,715 in 2002, \$3,569 in 1997, up 88 percent.



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

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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	4,599	80	98	2,793	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	3,774	55	97	2,230	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	824	83	98	2,897	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,292	25	95	1,514	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	43	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,228	33	95	1,010	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	76	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	215	71	97	2,493	3,046
Poultry and eggs	5	62	94	2,212	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	83	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	7	57	90	2,411	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	7	72	93	2,468	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	253	29	94	882	3,014
Aquaculture	314	9	44	347	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	5	52	87	2,049	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	555	90	97	2,970	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	540	48	96	1,845	2,983
Horses and ponies	488	57	97	2,192	3,065
All Goats	183	66	95	1,886	2,971
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	100	39	79	1,821	2,599
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	7,888	20	79	1,095	2,076
Corn for grain	7,698	17	96	1,129	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	1,458	79	97	2,809	3,059
Barley	438	24	73	430	1,246
All Wheat for grain	378	59	87	1,877	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	49	Farming	64
\$1,000 to \$2,499	22	Other	89
\$2,500 to \$4,999	17		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	9	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	16	Male	120
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6	Female	33
\$25,000 to \$39,999	12		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	13	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1	White	215
\$500,000 or more	1	Black or African American	5
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	4,793	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	31,327	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	934	Asian	1
Average per farm (\$)	6,102	More than one race	-
		All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

(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.