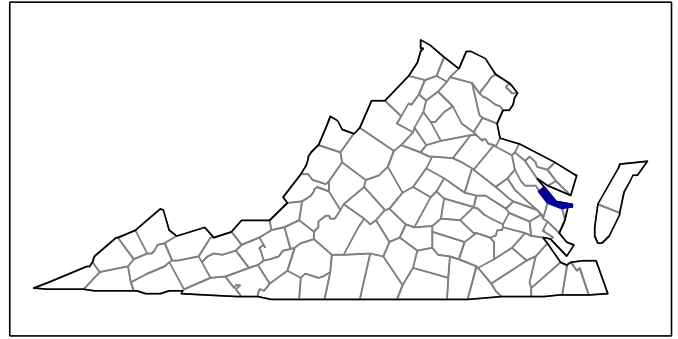




2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile



Middlesex, Virginia

Number of farms

101 farms in 2002, 78 farms in 1997, up 29 percent.

Land in farms

21,216 acres in 2002, 19,045 acres in 1997, up 11 percent.

Average size of farm

210 acres in 2002, 244 acres in 1997, down 14 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$5,207,000 in 2002, \$5,186,000 in 1997, up slightly.

Crop sales accounted for \$4,645,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$563,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

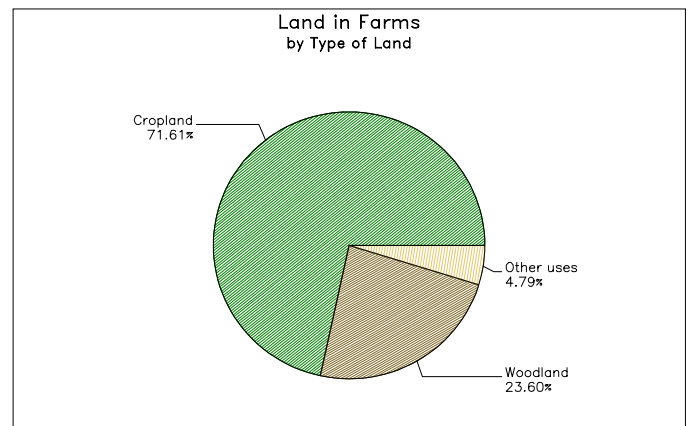
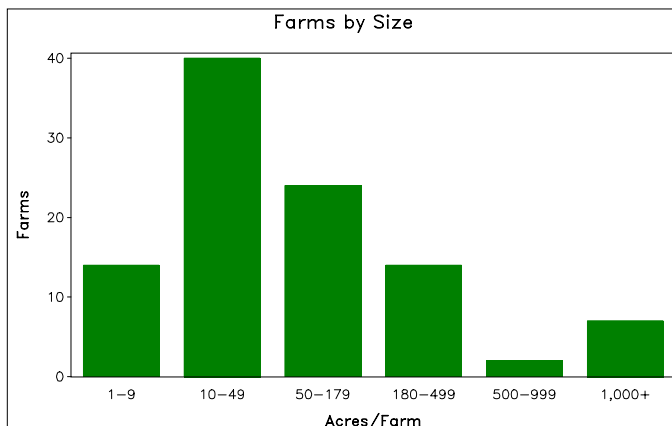
\$51,556 in 2002, \$66,486 in 1997, down 22 percent.

Government Payments

\$358,000 in 2002, \$184,000 in 1997, up 95 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$10,862 in 2002, \$5,103 in 1997, up 113 percent.



**2002 Census of Agriculture
County Profile
United States Department of Agriculture, Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service**

Middlesex, 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	5,207	79	98	2,761	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	4,645	49	97	2,111	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	563	86	98	2,932	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,729	22	95	1,456	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	99	45	93	1,252	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	62	81	95	2,210	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	76	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	223	85	97	2,896	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	83	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	90	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	23	79	94	2,724	3,014
Aquaculture	156	17	44	489	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	150	7	87	710	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	1,007	85	97	2,922	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	145	82	96	2,599	2,983
Horses and ponies	129	86	97	2,913	3,065
All Goats	92	79	95	2,319	2,971
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	72	42	79	1,954	2,599
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	6,172	25	79	1,150	2,076
Corn for grain	5,734	22	96	1,224	2,592
All Wheat for grain	2,404	25	87	1,214	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	1,390	80	97	2,821	3,059
All Vegetables harvested	(D)	8	95	(D)	2,710

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	22	Farming	55
\$1,000 to \$2,499	19	Other	46
\$2,500 to \$4,999	9		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	15	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	10	Male	84
\$20,000 to \$24,999	2	Female	17
\$25,000 to \$39,999	2		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	7		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	5	White	119
\$500,000 or more	2	Black or African American	16
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	5,000	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
Average per farm (\$)	48,543	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	767	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	7,444	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2

(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.