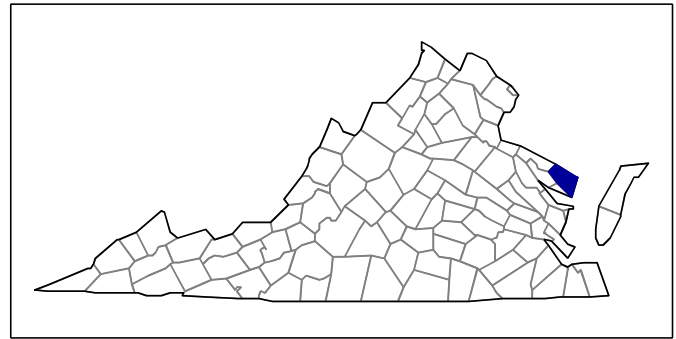




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Number of farms

128 farms in 2002, 133 farms in 1997, down 4 percent.

Land in farms

40,141 acres in 2002, 38,927 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

Average size of farm

314 acres in 2002, 293 acres in 1997, up 7 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$7,408,000 in 2002, \$9,767,000 in 1997, down 24 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$7,063,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$345,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

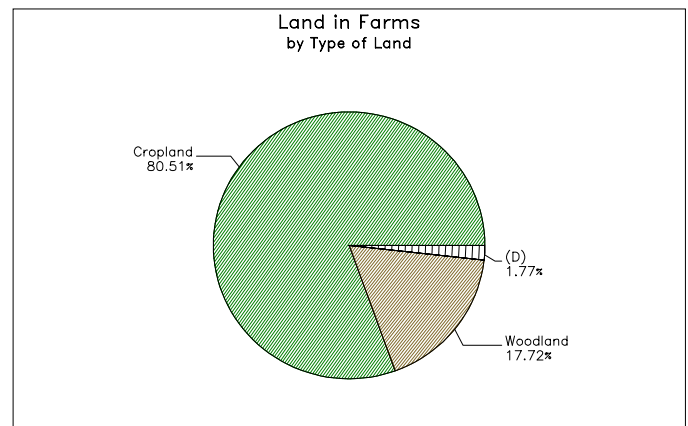
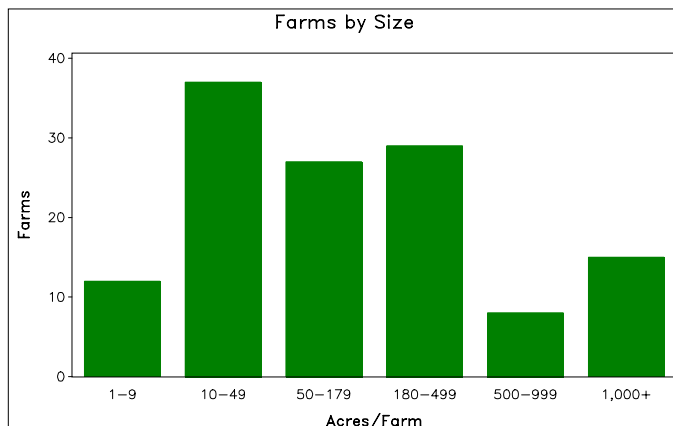
\$57,876 in 2002, \$73,437 in 1997, down 21 percent.

Government Payments

\$711,000 in 2002, \$467,000 in 1997, up 52 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,606 in 2002, \$5,765 in 1997, up 67 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	7,408	65	98	2,627	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	7,063	30	97	1,880	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	345	91	98	2,979	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	6,824	4	95	1,123	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	43	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	122	48	95	1,620	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	52	59	93	1,565	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	76	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	2	72	94	2,527	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	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	-	-	93	-	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	-	-	94	-	3,014
Aquaculture	176	15	44	462	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	87	-	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	537	92	97	2,974	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	298	66	96	2,258	2,983
Hogs and pigs	(D)	45	87	(D)	2,926
Ducks	90	17	78	1,164	2,630
Horses and ponies	53	94	97	3,012	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	15,946	10	79	913	2,076
Corn for grain	12,694	5	96	964	2,592
All Wheat for grain	9,117	4	87	680	2,517
Barley	1,760	7	73	221	1,246
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	664	93	97	2,932	3,059

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	17	Farming	83
\$1,000 to \$2,499	12	Other	45
\$2,500 to \$4,999	15		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	16	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	12	Male	108
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5	Female	20
\$25,000 to \$39,999	7		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	20		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	9	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	8	White	154
\$500,000 or more	1	Black or African American	4
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	6,975	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Average per farm (\$)	55,358	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,699	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	13,488	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.