

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Russell, Virginia

Number of farms

1,128 farms in 2002, 1,203 farms in 1997, down 6 percent.

Land in farms

168,903 acres in 2002, 162,746 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

Average size of farm

150 acres in 2002, 135 acres in 1997, up 11 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$20,998,000 in 2002, \$19,390,000 in 1997, up 8 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$3,374,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$17,623,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

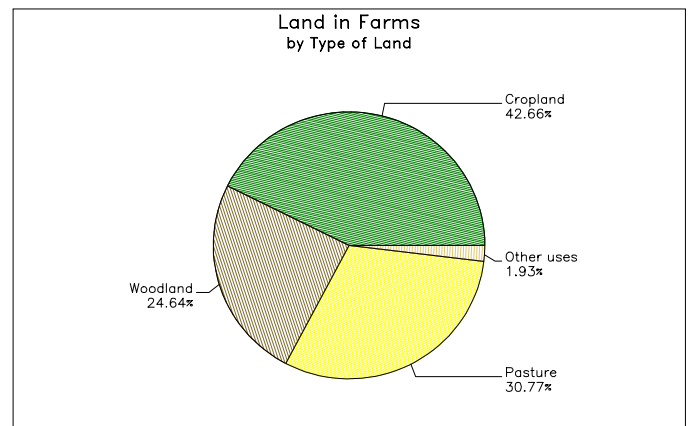
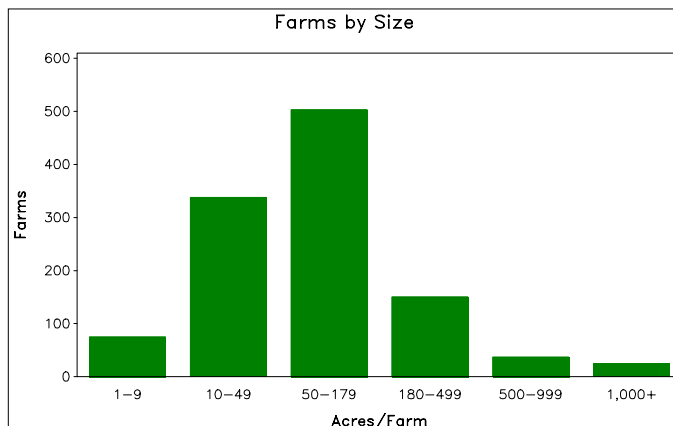
\$18,615 in 2002, \$16,118 in 1997, up 15 percent.

Government Payments

\$162,000 in 2002, \$128,000 in 1997, up 27 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,971 in 2002, \$1,294 in 1997, up 52 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	20,998	31	98	2,057	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	3,374	57	97	2,285	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	17,623	22	98	1,403	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	13	90	95	2,715	2,871
Tobacco	2,731	12	43	163	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	70	64	95	1,892	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	80	48	93	1,366	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	70	78	95	2,183	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	76	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	410	54	97	2,072	3,046
Poultry and eggs	1	76	94	2,567	2,918
Cattle and calves	16,172	8	97	654	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,095	45	83	1,315	2,493
Hogs and pigs	23	38	90	1,996	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	26	42	93	1,730	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	293	21	94	747	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	44	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	13	34	87	1,715	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	44,735	7	97	670	3,059
Horses and ponies	1,530	13	97	741	3,065
All Goats	804	10	95	619	2,971
Sheep and lambs	624	28	93	1,304	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	480	54	96	1,929	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	25,205	17	97	878	3,059
Tobacco	1,009	11	43	130	563
Corn for silage	228	66	87	1,715	2,307
Corn for grain	184	82	96	2,212	2,592
Short-rotation woody crops	101	17	66	451	1,262

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	201	Farming	572
\$1,000 to \$2,499	218	Other	556
\$2,500 to \$4,999	193		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	209	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	121	Male	976
\$20,000 to \$24,999	35	Female	152
\$25,000 to \$39,999	67		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	15	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	29		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	26	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	12	White	1,511
\$500,000 or more	2	Black or African American	10
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	19,860	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Average per farm (\$)	17,606	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,618	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	4,094	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	14

(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.