

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Sussex, Virginia

Number of farms

130 farms in 2002, 153 farms in 1997, down 15 percent.

Land in farms

74,196 acres in 2002, 82,938 acres in 1997, down 11 percent.

Average size of farm

571 acres in 2002, 542 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$25,074,000 in 2002, (D) in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for (D) of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for (D) of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

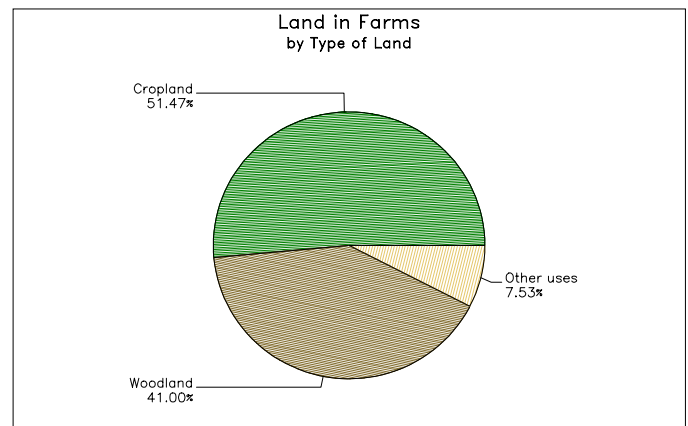
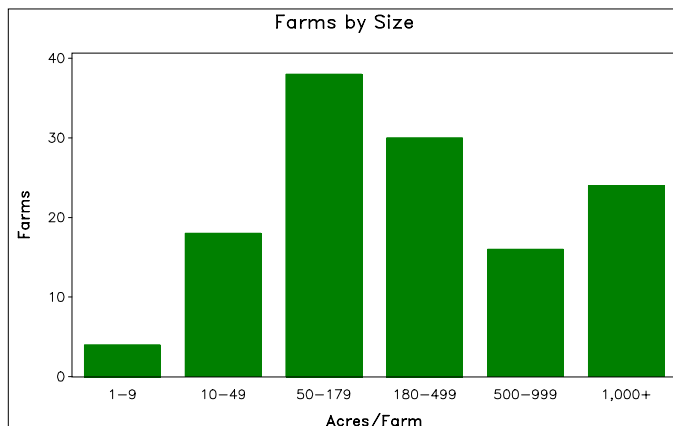
\$192,878 in 2002, (D) in 1997.

Government Payments

\$1,206,000 in 2002, \$535,000 in 1997, up 125 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$15,466 in 2002, \$6,148 in 1997, up 152 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	25,074	28	98	1,886	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	3,690	17	95	1,348	2,871
Tobacco	191	28	43	371	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	15	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	62	68	95	1,948	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	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	2,995	6	97	413	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	396	75	97	2,794	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	53	67	94	2,318	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	44	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	87	-	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	2,117	73	97	2,799	3,059
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 ³	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	2,599
Hogs and pigs ³	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,926
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	16,195	9	79	909	2,076
Peanuts	6,156	4	14	66	398
All Cotton	5,522	6	17	317	663
Corn for grain	4,515	28	96	1,315	2,592
All Wheat for grain	3,564	18	87	1,055	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	27	Farming	90
\$1,000 to \$2,499	6	Other	40
\$2,500 to \$4,999	6		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	15	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	14	Male	115
\$20,000 to \$24,999	7	Female	15
\$25,000 to \$39,999	7		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	14		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	18	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	6	White	158
\$500,000 or more	5	Black or African American	10
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	24,455	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	189,577	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	2,592	Asian	-
Average per farm (\$)	20,092	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.

³ Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.