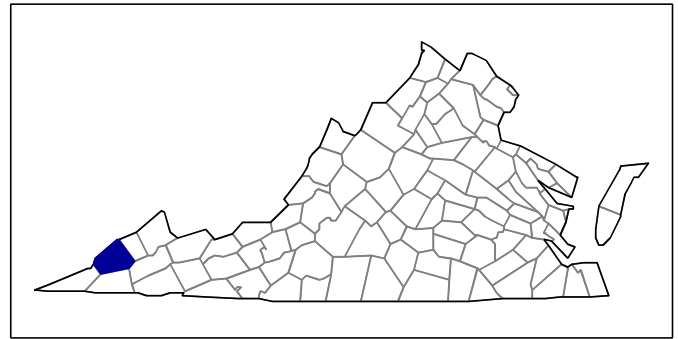




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Wise, Virginia

Number of farms

140 farms in 2002, 174 farms in 1997, down 20 percent.

Land in farms

19,033 acres in 2002, 17,845 acres in 1997, up 7 percent.

Average size of farm

136 acres in 2002, 103 acres in 1997, up 32 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$942,000 in 2002, \$1,367,000 in 1997, down 31 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$301,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$641,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

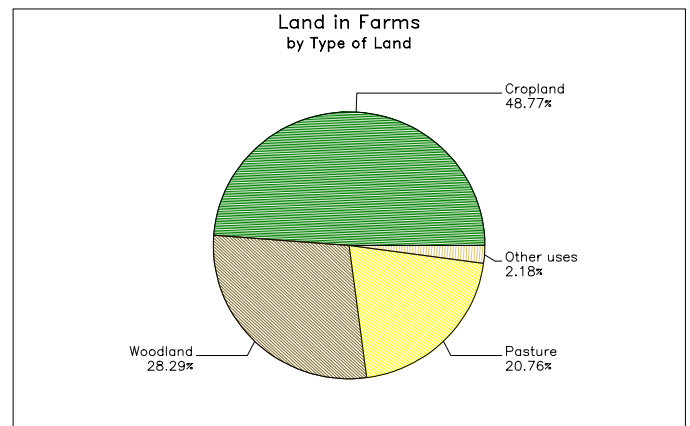
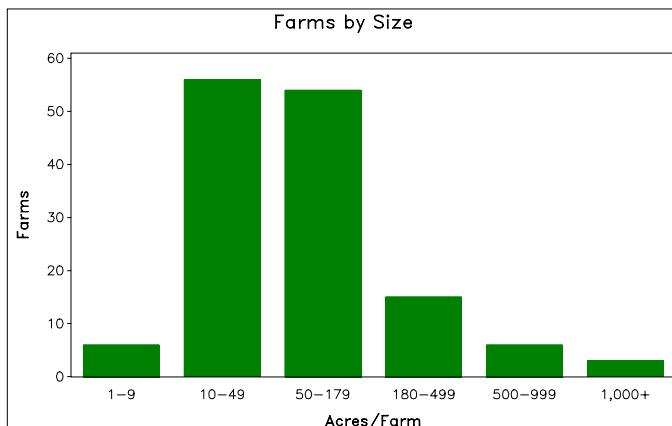
\$6,728 in 2002, \$7,854 in 1997, down 14 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,000 in 2002, (D) in 1997.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$615 in 2002, (D) in 1997.



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

Wise, 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	942	95	98	3,008	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	301	93	97	2,963	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	641	84	98	2,917	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	24	40	43	465	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	19	74	93	1,976	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	55	83	95	2,235	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	76	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	126	78	97	2,712	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	481	71	97	2,756	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	83	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	-	-	90	-	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	4	83	93	2,688	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	44	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	2,941	70	97	2,713	3,059
All Goats	266	54	95	1,594	2,971
Horses and ponies	167	82	97	2,872	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	154	81	96	2,579	2,983
Ducks	(D)	57	78	(D)	2,630
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,386	68	97	2,533	3,059
Short-rotation woody crops	(D)	10	66	(D)	1,262
All Vegetables harvested	31	62	95	1,817	2,710
Rye for grain ³	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	1,204
Corn for silage ³	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	52
\$1,000 to \$2,499	27
\$2,500 to \$4,999	20
\$5,000 to \$9,999	19
\$10,000 to \$19,999	11
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	3
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-
\$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	1,150
Average per farm (\$)	8,276
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-258
Average per farm (\$)	-1,857

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	45
Other	95
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	127
Female	13
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.3
All operators ² by race:	
White	195
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
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.