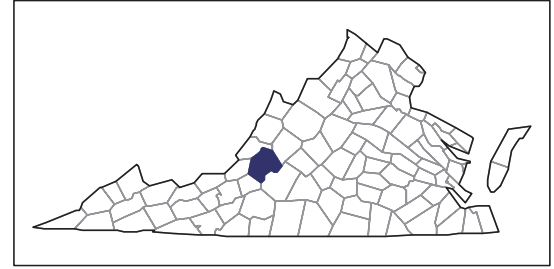


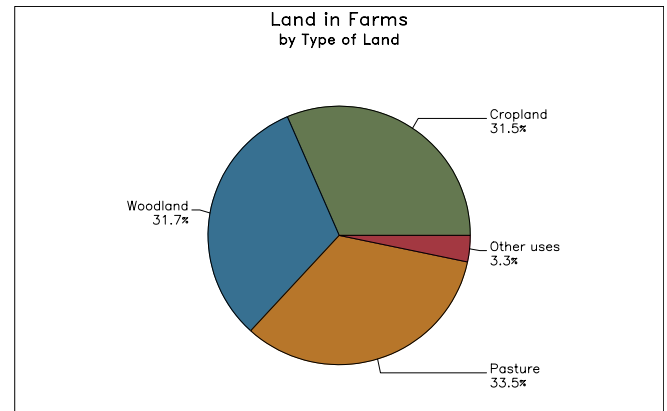
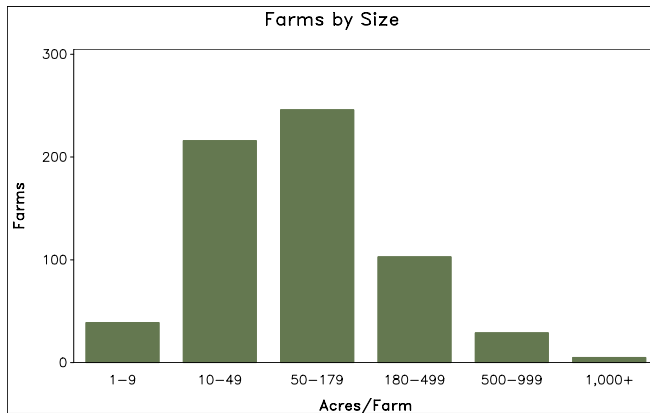
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile



Botetourt County Virginia

	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	638	610	+ 5
Land in Farms	87,913 acres	97,091 acres	- 9
Average Size of Farm	138 acres	159 acres	- 13
Market Value of Products Sold	\$13,548,000	\$9,982,000	+ 36
Crop Sales \$2,488,000 (18 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$11,059,000 (82 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$21,234	\$16,365	+ 30
Government Payments	\$241,000	\$564,000	- 57
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$3,092	\$3,787	- 18



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County Profile

Botetourt County – Virginia

Ranked items among the 98 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

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	13,548	48	98	2,464	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,488	68	98	2,512	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	11,059	37	98	1,975	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	249	67	97	2,292	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	34	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	1,652	11	96	332	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	92	94	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	59	64	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	398	57	98	2,299	3,054
Poultry and eggs	35	52	96	1,844	3,020
Cattle and calves	6,309	32	96	1,553	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	4,265	17	78	781	2,493
Hogs and pigs	95	26	86	1,395	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	50	38	95	1,661	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	301	20	94	794	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	39	44	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	67	94	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	17,978	28	98	1,135	3,060
Corn for silage	1,038	29	81	982	2,263
Corn for grain	846	60	94	1,915	2,634
Wheat for grain, all	696	46	81	1,746	2,481
Apples	(D)	10	88	(D)	2,144
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	20,777	28	97	1,383	3,060
Horses and ponies	1,398	17	97	943	3,066
Layers	1,042	43	97	1,593	3,024
Sheep and lambs	466	36	94	1,484	2,891
Ducks	330	3	81	354	2,733

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	215	Farming	229
\$1,000 to \$2,499	108	Other	409
\$2,500 to \$4,999	76	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	83	Male	537
\$10,000 to \$19,999	64	Female	101
\$20,000 to \$24,999	21	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	25	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9	American Indian or Alaska Native	12
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	11	Black or African American	10
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	7	White	936
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	14,446	More than one race	6
Average per farm (\$)	22,643	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	8
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	340		
Average per farm (\$)	533		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

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.