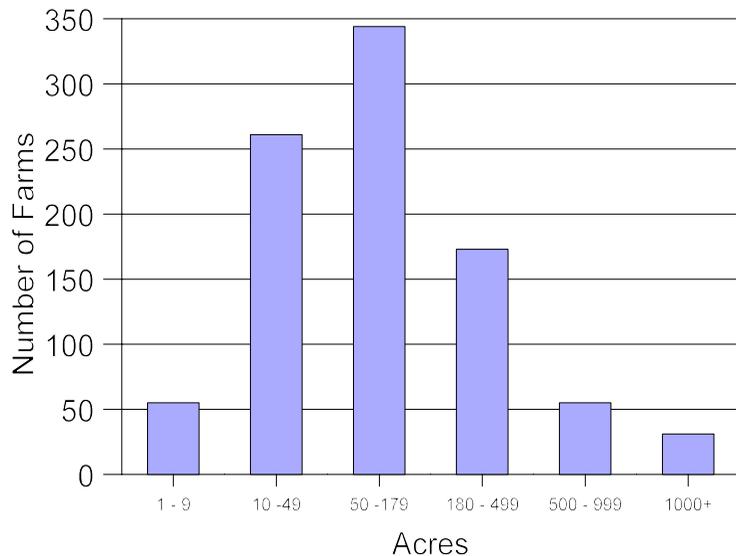
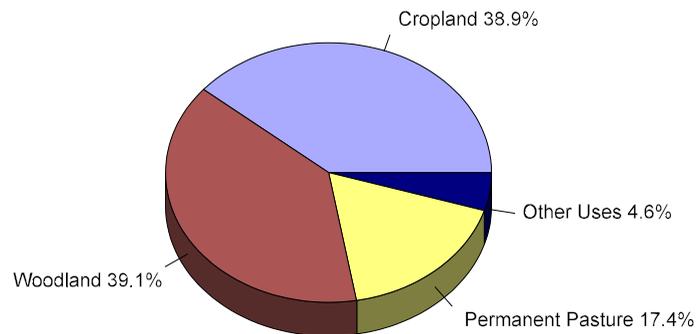


## FARMS

### Farms by Size



### Land in Farms



Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	461
Other	458
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	692
Female	227
Average age of principal operator (years)	59.5
All operators <sup>5</sup> by race:	
White	1,327
Black or African American	9
American Indian or Alaska Native	4
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	6
More than one race	4
All operators <sup>5</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	5

Footnotes: 1/ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with items. 2/ Beginning with 1997, data includes an adjustment for undercoverage. 3/Due to changes in definition and wording of questions, figures for "cropland pasture" and "other pasture" are not always comparable from the Census. Acreage beginning with 1964 refer to pastureland and rangeland, other than cropland and woodland pastured, on farms with sales of agricultural products of \$2,500 and over. 4/ Beginning with 1974, agricultural operations under individual management with annual sales of \$1,000 or more. 5/ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm. NA Not Available. (D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than 1/2 of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Vol. 1, Geographic Series" for complete footnotes.



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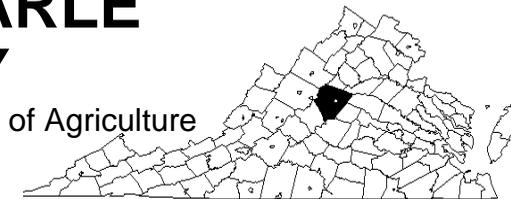
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# ALBEMARLE COUNTY

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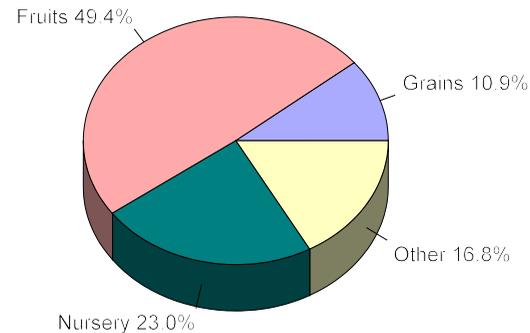
Formed in 1774 from part of Goochland, Albemarle County is situated in the central Piedmont Plateau, with part of its western portion in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Very rich historically, Albemarle is the birthplace of both Thomas Jefferson and Meriwether Lewis, who later explored the Rocky Mountains with William Clarke circa 1803. Jefferson remains buried in Monticello.

The topography of the county varies widely and ranges from the rolling and hilly Piedmont, with elevations from 300 to 800 feet above sea level, to the steep slopes of the Blue Ridge Mountains, where elevations range from 2,500 to 3,200 feet. Albemarle contains quite a bit of woodland; forests constitute 293,436 acres in the county. Temperatures near the county seat of Charlottesville average about 36 degrees in January and 77 in July. Annual precipitation averages nearly 44 inches. The frost-free growing season is typically about 210 days, usually falling between April 11 and November 6.

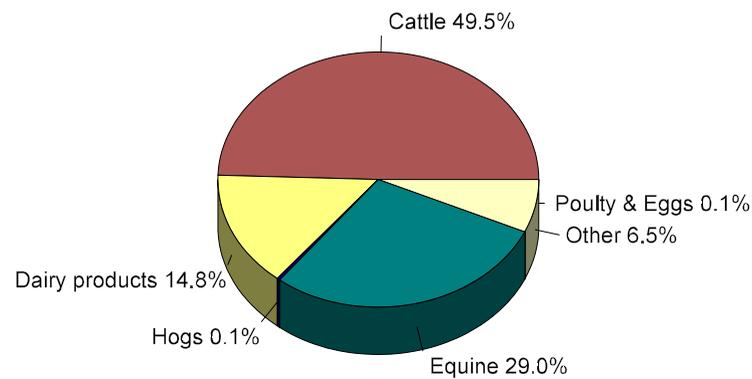
Highlights	2002	1997
Number of Farms	919	912
Land in Farms (acres)	177,445	184,557
Average size of farm	193	202
Market Value of Production		
County Total	\$19,168,000	\$22,000,000
Average per farm	\$20,857	\$24,123
Government Payments	\$274,000	\$139,000

# CASH RECEIPTS

## Crops



## Livestock & Poultry



### Ranked Items among the 98 state counties and 3,078 US Counties, 2002

Commodity	Quantity	State Rank	Universe 1/	US Rank	Universe 1/
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	734	39	95	1,868	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	43	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	3,338	2	93	186	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,553	29	95	911	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	2	67	76	1,564	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	15	50	94	1,827	2,918
Cattle and calves	5,968	26	97	1,381	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,778	33	83	1,079	2,493
Hogs and pigs	8	55	90	2,369	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	3,490	3	94	28	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	44	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	22,725	28	97	1,325	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,758	3	97	256	3,065
Sheep and lambs	2,254	11	93	500	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,109	33	96	1,319	2,983
All Goats	920	8	95	525	2,971
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	31,072	10	97	692	3,059
Soybeans	1,543	45	79	1,438	2,076
Corn for grain	842	55	96	1,842	2,592
Corn for silage	745	42	87	1,241	2,307
Apples	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,173

### FARM DATA & LAND USE

YEAR	Number of Farms	Land in Farms	Avg. Value Per Acre For Land & Buildings	LAND USE					
				Cropland			Other Pasture 3/	Woodland	
				Harvested	Other	Pasture		Pasture	Not Pastured
Number	Acres	Dollars	-Acres-						
1940	2,591	337,529	57	70,866	13,128	91,041	NA	NA	NA
1945	2,599	331,357	59	80,977	7,982	17,646	76,706	24,094	112,418
1950	1,957	320,619	99	55,443	18,364	28,605	62,541	29,654	110,044
1954	1,821	293,657	128	48,443	8,496	17,025	73,013	37,295	100,936
1959	1,272	276,088	183	42,245	4,876	16,088	75,310	25,751	102,457
1964	946	239,145	213	37,671	6,636	25,927	43,926	14,200	52,374
1969	766	211,123	394	31,911	3,861	45,783	31,250	21,313	41,715
1974 4/	750	213,398	715	32,242	2,749	54,604	25,885	18,561	44,672
1978	750	208,468	1,066	40,564	4,461	46,320	30,579	20,632	57,685
1982	830	201,465	1,458	38,441	2,662	42,616	31,285	20,715	57,345
1987	772	186,486	1,939	38,924	2,648	31,876	33,208	15,219	53,625
1992	757	188,567	2,813	39,675	4,174	44,023	19,937	13,192	60,544
1997 2/	912	184,557	3,731	39,487	3,243	35,676	23,739	10,908	61,534
<b>2002</b>	<b>919</b>	<b>177,445</b>	<b>4,446</b>	<b>36,012</b>	<b>3,472</b>	<b>29,581</b>	<b>30,853</b>	<b>11,903</b>	<b>57,483</b>

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