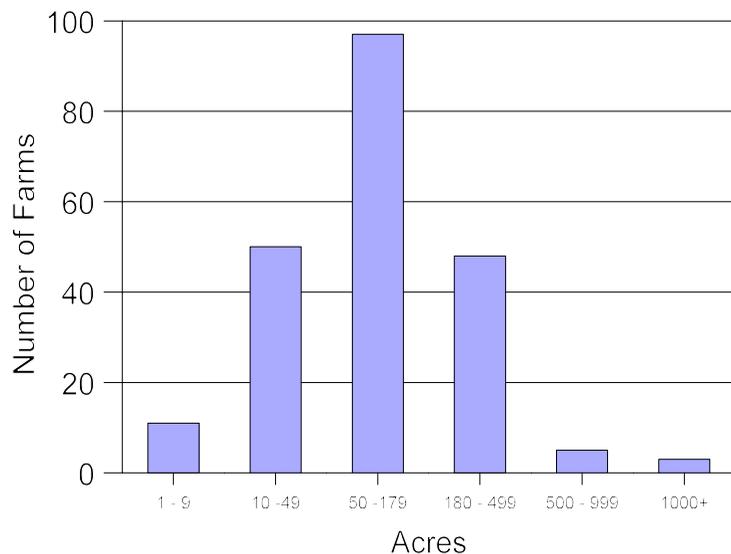
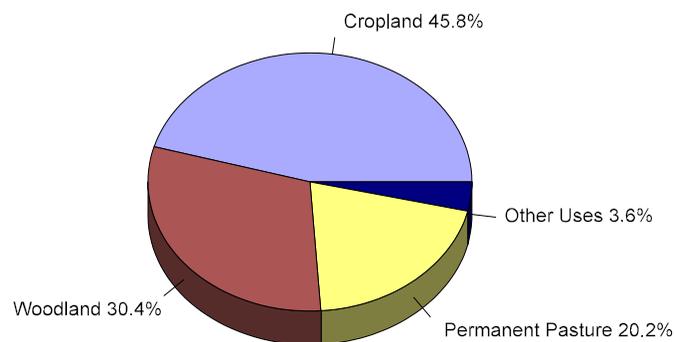


FARMS

Farms by Size



Land in Farms



Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	96
Other	118
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	175
Female	39
Average age of principal operator (years)	60.7
All operators ⁵ by race:	
White	304
Black or African American	10
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2
Asian	2
More than one race	-
All operators ⁵ of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	8

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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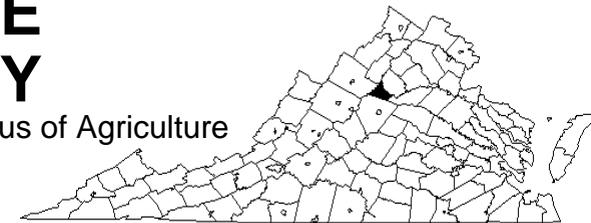
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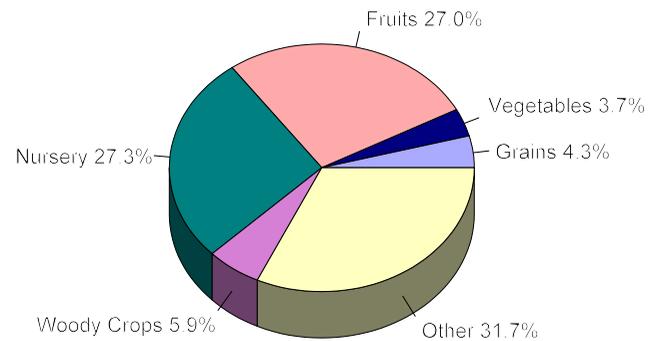
Greene County lies in the north-central part of the Piedmont Plateau with the Blue Ridge Mountains on the western border. Formed in 1838 from the western part of Orange, the county was named in honor of General Nathaniel Greene.

The topography of the county varies from rolling and hilly in the central and eastern parts, where elevations range from 600 to 1,000 feet, to steep foothills and mountain ridges in western and northern sections, where elevations move upward to 3,500 feet. Almost 70 percent of Greene is forested, and included in the county is part of the Shenandoah National Park. Temperatures vary widely depending upon elevation but average 34 degrees in January and 74 in July. The frost-free growing season averages 170 days, usually extending from April 26 to October 18. Annual precipitation averages 40 inches.

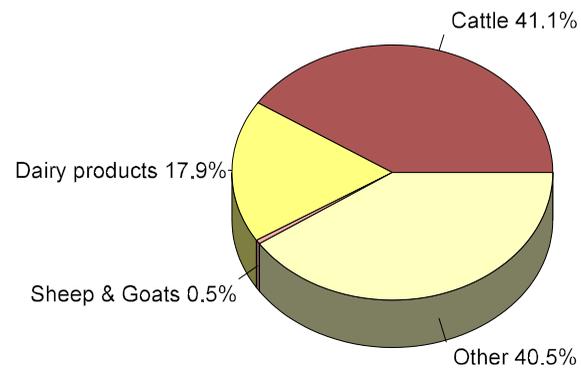
Highlights	2002	1997
Number of Farms	214	235
Land in Farms (acres)	32,590	35,110
Average size of farm	152	149
Market Value of Production		
County Total	\$5,815,000	\$4,561,000
Average per farm	\$27,172	\$19,409
Government Payments	\$153,000	\$115,000

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/
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	36	84	95	2,578	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	43	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	31	80	95	2,213	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	224	29	93	849	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	226	64	95	1,755	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	49	28	76	649	1,774
Other crops and hay	263	65	97	2,383	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,048	49	97	2,152	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	893	47	83	1,420	2,493
Hogs and pigs	2	75	90	2,717	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	26	41	93	1,718	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)					
Turkeys	(D)	10	72	(D)	2,328
Cattle and calves	8,667	52	97	2,171	3,059
Pheasants	(D)	2	41	(D)	1,541
Layers 20 weeks old and older	326	64	96	2,209	2,983
Horses and ponies	321	66	97	2,568	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	7,709	59	97	1,991	3,059
Corn for silage	309	57	87	1,601	2,307
Corn for grain	282	77	96	2,133	2,592
Grapes	82	9	76	159	1,830
Short-rotation woody crops	(D)	26	66	(D)	1,262

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	828	74,197	28	18,180	392	27,319	NA	NA	NA
1945	639	63,018	34	16,328	1,602	4,486	16,368	NA	22,273
1950	701	70,103	57	13,653	1,855	8,553	18,078	NA	25,244
1954	662	67,311	64	12,421	1,895	4,532	21,337	NA	25,084
1959	499	58,674	117	11,079	838	1,504	22,835	NA	20,295
1964	437	57,590	126	9,152	1,371	2,198	9,024	2,505	4,415
1969	227	34,048	215	5,656	1,462	6,291	3,880	2,838	3,024
1974 4/	213	36,977	531	7,804	1,297	8,045	4,518	2,262	5,562
1978	222	42,565	886	9,162	510	8,453	5,635	5,288	12,321
1982	243	40,835	898	10,475	909	6,611	6,954	4,487	9,535
1987	225	39,288	1,679	9,027	954	8,423	4,612	4,459	9,788
1992	207	37,044	2,308	8,474	1,148	8,521	3,825	2,763	10,372
1997 2/	235	35,110	2,678	7,865	1,310	9,883	4,457	2,538	7,268
2002	214	32,590	3,875	8,116	346	6,456	6,588	2,448	7,467

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