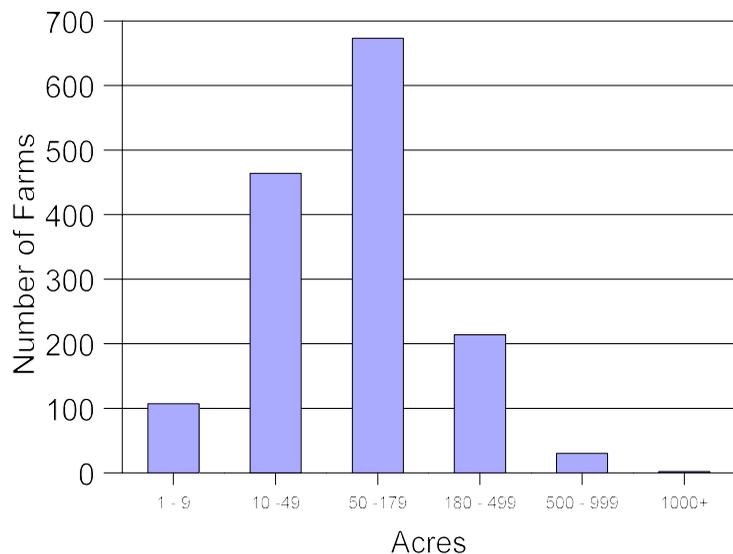
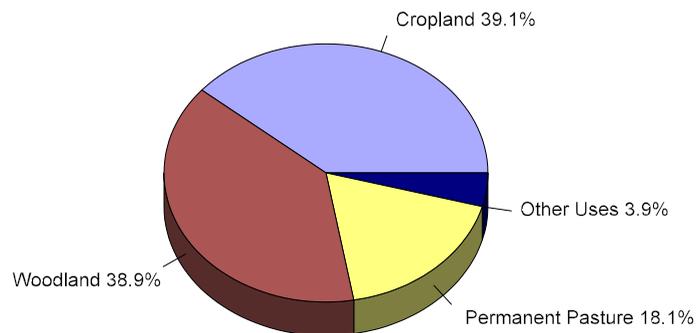


FARMS

Farms by Size



Land in Farms



Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	752
Other	738
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,320
Female	170
Average age of principal operator (years)	
	54.6
All operators ⁵ by race:	
White	2,067
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	11
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	2
All operators ⁵ of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	
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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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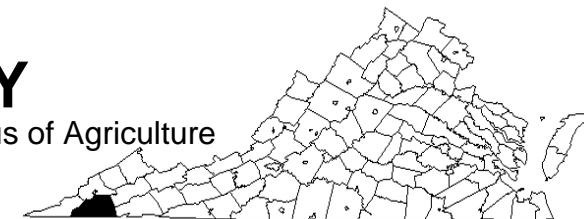
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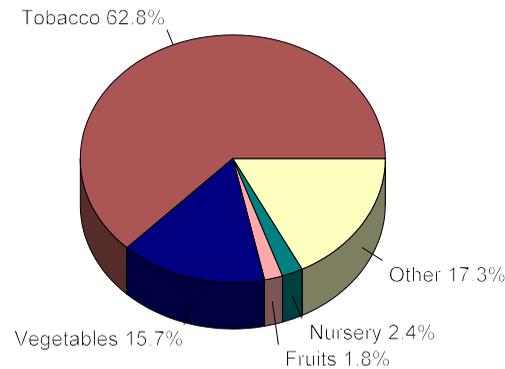
Scott County is located in the southwestern part of the Great Valley of Virginia and borders Tennessee on the south. Formed in 1814 from part of Russell, Lee, and Washington, the county was named in honor of General Winfield Scott, who won great fame in the battle of Lundy's Lane that year.

While most of Scott's topography is hilly, there are many valleys and some comparatively smooth upland in the county. More than two-third of the county is wooded, and part of the Jefferson National Forest is located in the county. Elevations range from about 1,200 feet above sea level where the Holston River and the Clinch River enter Tennessee to more than 4,000 feet in the northern part of the county. The frost-free growing season is roughly 180 days, usually extending from around April 20 to October 20. Annual precipitation averages nearly 49 inches.

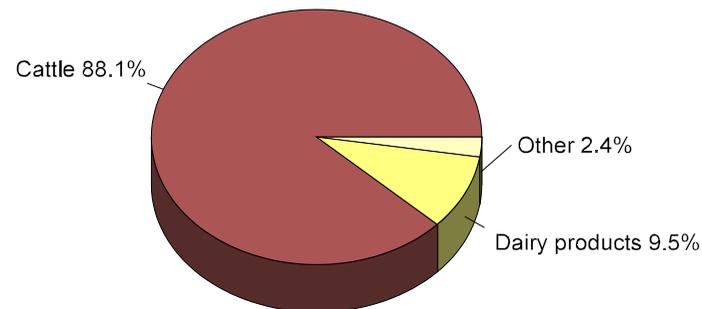
Highlights	2002	1997
Number of Farms	1,490	1,650
Land in Farms (acres)	157,689	153,504
Average size of farm	106	93
Market Value of Production		
County Total	\$12,693,000	\$15,065,000
Average per farm	\$8,518	\$9,130
Government Payments	\$161,000	\$39,000

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	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	4,280	9	43	117	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,068	10	95	735	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	126	41	93	1,130	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	166	69	95	1,899	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	76	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,135	17	97	1,125	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(Z)	89	94	2,799	2,918
Cattle and calves	5,168	33	97	1,486	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	559	51	83	1,605	2,493
Hogs and pigs	7	59	90	2,423	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	68	23	93	1,052	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	67	58	94	2,142	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	44	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	2	65	87	2,348	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	26,824	21	97	1,158	3,059
All Goats	1,231	6	95	356	2,971
Horses and ponies	1,209	20	97	1,025	3,065
Sheep and lambs	1,022	19	93	959	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	397	60	96	2,075	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	24,162	21	97	931	3,059
Tobacco	1,538	6	43	84	563
Corn for silage	339	54	87	1,565	2,307
All Vegetables harvested	281	13	95	825	2,710
Corn for grain	154	84	96	2,241	2,592

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	3,874	250,337	37	55,886	7,033	60,398	NA	NA	NA
1945	3,723	265,167	48	51,389	9,452	3,110	106,528	19,158	66,436
1950	3,454	227,693	85	40,231	13,942	13,049	62,111	30,923	54,520
1954	3,538	225,695	91	36,273	8,695	7,880	74,141	33,933	58,575
1959	2,509	197,286	113	27,420	9,821	12,563	58,141	28,041	51,704
1964	2,411	178,445	149	23,925	6,752	6,815	18,486	NA	NA
1969	2,478	186,681	214	21,030	7,236	35,597	14,978	17,450	11,119
1974 4/	1,660	141,917	337	16,061	4,926	28,930	15,175	NA	NA
1978	1,753	146,526	649	17,702	6,422	26,670	21,855	22,124	42,225
1982	1,964	149,521	829	18,561	9,605	26,662	23,237	20,439	40,446
1987	1,667	142,864	719	19,157	5,790	27,818	22,578	16,704	40,177
1992	1,540	134,191	1,123	19,767	4,673	30,415	20,319	18,476	34,459
1997 2/	1,650	153,504	1,100	22,263	4,039	34,351	23,256	20,774	42,597
2002	1,490	157,689	1,563	26,480	4,860	30,298	28,566	22,057	39,281

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