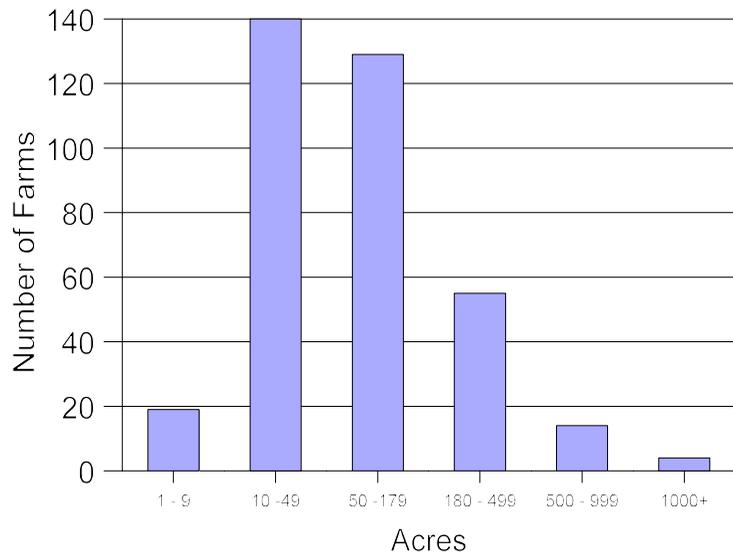
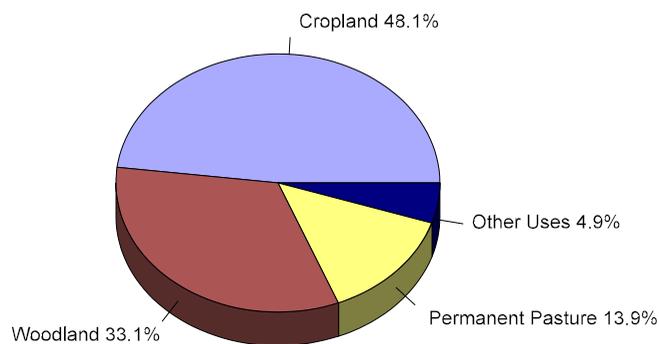


FARMS

Farms by Size



Land in Farms



Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	167
Other	194
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	310
Female	51
Average age of principal operator (years)	
	58.9
All operators ⁵ by race:	
White	475
Black or African American	7
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	5
More than one race	-
All operators ⁵ 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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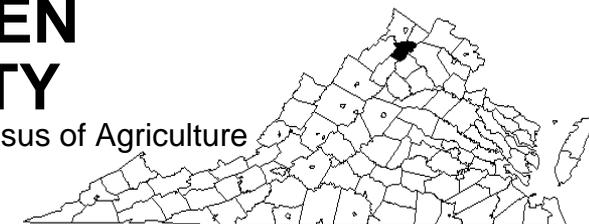
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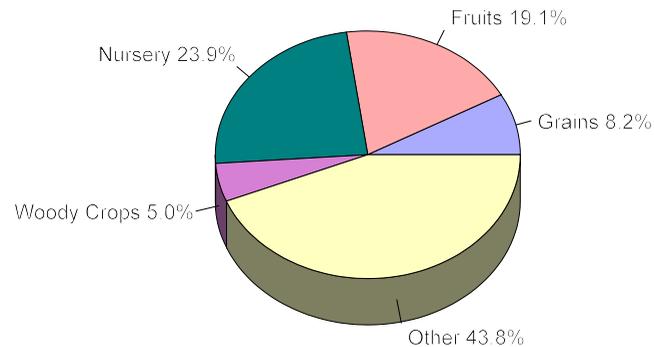
Warren County is located in the northern part of the Shenandoah Valley between the Blue Ridge Mountains on the east and the Massanutten on the west. Formed in 1837 from parts of Frederick and Shenandoah, Warren is one of eleven Virginia counties named for American patriots. The county is named in honor of General Joseph Warren, a leader who fought at Lexington, died at Bunker Hill, and under whose orders Paul Revere set forth on his famous midnight ride to Lexington.

With the exception of areas along the Shenandoah River, the topography of the county is rolling and mountainous. More than half of Warren is wooded, and parts of the Shenandoah National Park and the George Washington National Forest are located in the county. Elevations vary from 400 to 3,400 feet above sea level, and temperatures average 35 degrees in January and 76 in July. Total precipitation averages about 35 inches annually.

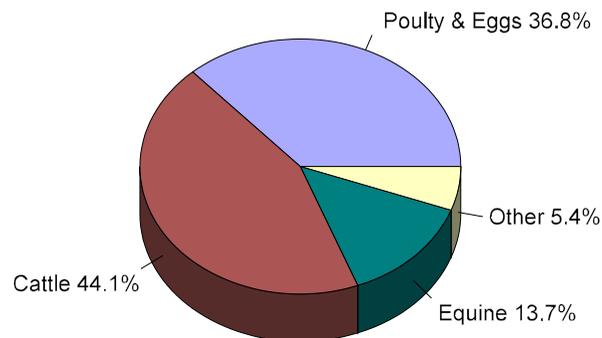
Highlights	2002	1997
Number of Farms	361	327
Land in Farms (acres)	48,940	48,641
Average size of farm	136	149
Market Value of Production		
County Total	\$5,551,000	\$5,777,000
Average per farm	\$15,376	\$17,665
Government Payments	\$17,000	\$42,000

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	85	73	95	2,420	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	43	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	95	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	199	32	93	904	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	249	62	95	1,718	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	52	26	76	637	1,774
Other crops and hay	455	50	97	1,974	3,046
Poultry and eggs	1,660	24	94	859	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,988	51	97	2,174	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	83	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1	82	90	2,809	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	618	12	94	276	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	44	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	75	13	87	981	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	23	79	(D)	2,599
Turkeys	(D)	9	72	(D)	2,328
Cattle and calves	8,788	51	97	2,156	3,059
Horses and ponies	587	48	97	1,977	3,065
Sheep and lambs	330	37	93	1,702	2,867
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,271	53	97	1,851	3,059
Apples	439	9	87	122	2,173
Corn for grain	344	75	96	2,086	2,592
Cut Christmas trees	102	28	81	590	1,877
Corn for silage	92	73	87	1,990	2,307

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	829	100,991	50	21,907	3,463	32,960	NA	NA	NA
1945	714	93,599	61	19,885	5,337	4,402	32,433	8,362	20,537
1950	588	84,584	79	15,013	4,328	11,944	22,777	6,087	20,662
1954	476	81,230	111	14,521	1,453	11,120	21,521	7,380	23,432
1959	376	73,858	121	11,961	2,737	6,377	24,376	8,283	18,006
1964	298	70,841	173	11,120	2,528	10,017	13,085	NA	NA
1969	268	64,452	335	11,704	2,060	11,466	11,737	4,262	6,954
1974 4/	207	47,053	679	8,442	502	14,785	7,738	NA	NA
1978	225	54,933	1,198	11,774	1,272	10,462	14,903	4,513	9,762
1982	243	45,404	1,360	10,147	756	11,123	9,840	3,353	8,296
1987	223	40,901	1,804	10,184	1,390	9,924	7,805	2,371	6,445
1992	207	38,967	2,432	9,592	322	11,366	6,998	2,773	6,289
1997 2/	327	48,641	3,131	11,753	951	12,089	7,893	3,958	10,082
2002	361	48,940	3,827	10,470	942	12,124	6,825	2,842	13,341

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