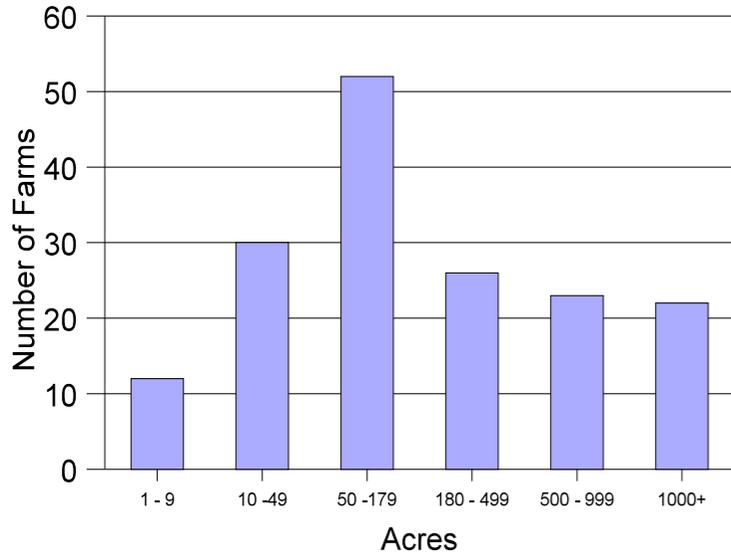
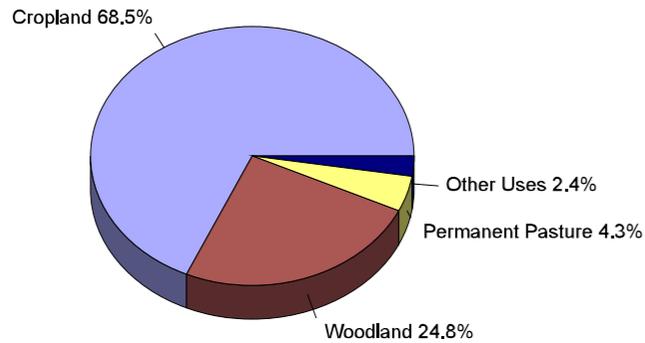


FARMS

Farms by Size



Land in Farms



Operator Characteristics

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	107
Other	58
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	142
Female	23
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.7
All operators ⁵ by race:	
White	182
Black or African American	32
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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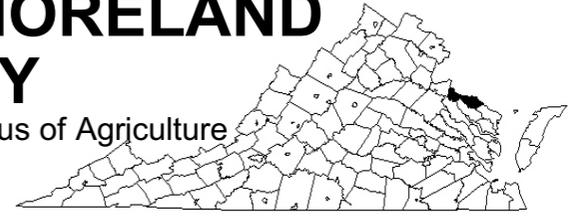
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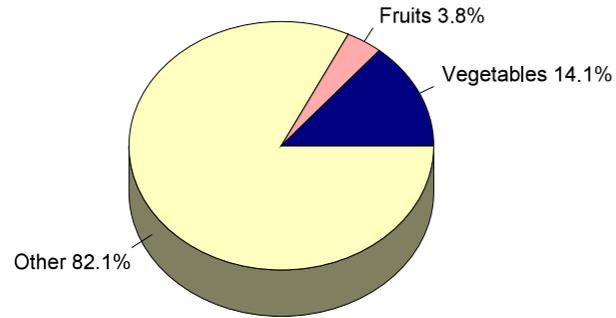
Westmoreland County lies in the Tidewater section of the coastal plain known as the Northern Neck. It is bound on the north by the Potomac River, and the Rappahannock River forms part of its southern boundary. Formed in 1653 from part of Northumberland, the county was named after the English shire of the same name. Westmoreland is the birthplace of numerous historical figures, including George Washington, James Monroe, James Madison, Thomas Marshall, and Robert Edward Lee.

The topography of the county is generally level, and the land is cut by wide tidal creeks and bays. Elevations range from sea level to just 100 feet, and temperatures average 36 degrees in January and 77 in July. The frost-free growing season is approximately 194 days, usually extending from around April 15 to October 25.

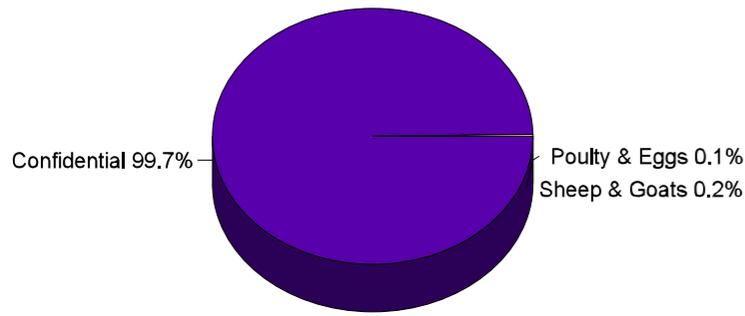
Highlights	2002	1997
Number of Farms	165	181
Land in Farms (acres)	67,652	65,361
Average size of farm	410	361
Market Value of Production		
County Total	\$20,110,000	\$19,701,000
Average per farm	\$121,879	\$108,843
Government Payments	\$829,000	\$601,000

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	-	-	43	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,700	3	95	459	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	719	13	93	429	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	76	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	68	87	97	2,863	3,046
Poultry and eggs	1	88	94	2,748	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	83	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	90	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	2	88	93	2,808	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	44	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	8	48	87	1,942	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	3,189	68	97	2,696	3,059
Horses and ponies	99	89	97	2,958	3,065
Sheep and lambs	83	73	93	2,342	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	36	91	96	2,882	2,983
All Goats	23	88	95	2,749	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	20,720	4	79	830	2,076
Corn for grain	14,100	4	96	918	2,592
All Wheat for grain	9,223	2	87	673	2,517
Barley	4,147	1	73	158	1,246
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	1,943	74	97	2,752	3,059

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	1,110	103,203	45	28,452	9,896	7,787	NA	NA	NA
1945	818	95,322	45	31,931	7,098	4,341	1,696	2,070	46,466
1950	843	99,098	92	29,665	5,761	4,376	2,835	4,186	47,586
1954	742	85,485	125	30,225	1,537	2,691	4,663	3,114	40,424
1959	489	77,335	134	31,177	1,725	2,379	2,089	3,262	34,270
1964	398	73,684	174	30,810	3,862	2,284	1,727	NA	NA
1969	263	64,978	302	28,985	2,924	2,712	844	3,209	18,413
1974 4/	219	64,144	559	33,475	532	3,070	698	NA	NA
1978	215	67,469	934	37,107	1,289	1,638	491	3,572	21,405
1982	224	68,424	1,105	41,158	1,213	1,151	1,232	621	19,678
1987	181	70,165	967	33,604	5,896	1,676	1,528	852	24,346
1992	159	56,289	1,500	33,890	3,480	978	2,129	1,173	13,382
1997 2/	181	65,361	1,647	37,553	2,744	1,794	3,404	2,535	15,920
2002	165	67,652	2,016	41,234	3,424	1,642	2,930	4,704	12,073

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