

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture, Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service

## FREDERICK VIRGINIA

### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	20,530	28	98	2,079	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	14,294	12	98	1,512	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	6,236	49	97	2,219	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Fruits, nuts, berries	10,606	1	91	113	2,547
Cattle and calves	4,043	33	97	1,622	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	2,043	23	97	695	2,790
Dairy products	1,740	36	72	1,123	2,563
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	635	15	97	1,394	3,043
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	10,735	33	97	1,551	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	2,547	25	93	1,471	2,976
Sheep and lambs sold	392	28	89	1,380	2,765
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	16	40	710	1,593
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	96	35	68	1,445	2,203
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	18,234	31	97	1,625	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	1,403	23	96	1,473	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	641	30	95	1,484	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	630	25	97	1,270	3,066
Sheep and lamb inventory	596	27	93	1,299	2,864
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	19,665	20	97	1,052	3,061
Land in orchards-acres	9,670	1	96	81	2,693
Corn for grain-acres	3,053	34	97	1,508	2,691
Corn for silage-acres	1,177	33	86	958	2,473
Soybeans for beans-acres	872	53	77	1,610	2,144

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	395	356	11
\$10,000 or more .....	173	180	-4
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	17,846	19,605	-9
Average per farm .....dollars..	31,363	36,508	-14
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	1,844	3,234	-43
Average per farm .....dollars..	3,240	6,022	-46
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	469	450	4
Partnership or corporation .....	94	83	13
Other .....	5	3	67
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	243	249	-2
Other .....	325	287	13
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	489	475	3
Female .....	79	61	30
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	566	533	6
Black and other races .....	2	3	-33
Average age of operator .....	57.3	56.7	1

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

\* Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.