

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture, Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service

ROCKINGHAM VIRGINIA

Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	438,103	1	98	37	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	426,283	1	97	16	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	11,821	20	98	1,648	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Poultry & poultry products	335,681	1	92	2	2,901
Dairy products	57,926	1	72	53	2,563
Cattle and calves	30,547	1	97	239	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	3,067	17	97	555	2,790
Fruits, nuts, berries	2,412	4	91	209	2,547
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	117,987,208	1	44	3	1,882
Turkeys sold	13,756,667	1	37	1	1,353
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	2,300,765	1	68	19	2,203
Cattle and calves sold	67,170	1	97	190	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	25,658	1	62	163	2,200
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Broiler inventory	17,491,765	1	63	4	2,620
All turkeys inventory	3,870,344	1	73	1	2,361
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,406,258	1	95	54	3,002
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	523,570	1	75	20	2,549
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	313,620	1	50	47	1,790
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	51,722	2	97	241	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	21,166	1	86	29	2,473
Corn for grain-acres	12,555	4	97	992	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	4,442	33	77	1,234	2,144
Wheat-acres	2,269	32	87	1,383	2,612

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	716	752	-5
\$10,000 or more	1,118	1,112	1
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	369,864	309,299	20
Average per farmdollars..	201,451	166,022	21
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	60,257	58,515	3
Average per farmdollars..	32,820	31,409	4
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	1,498	1,534	-2
Partnership or corporation	328	324	1
Other	8	6	33
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	1,024	1,043	-2
Other	810	821	-1
Operators by sex:			
Male	1,684	1,712	-2
Female	150	152	-1
Operators by race:			
White	1,829	1,858	-2
Black and other races	5	6	-17
Average age of operator	53.2	52.9	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.