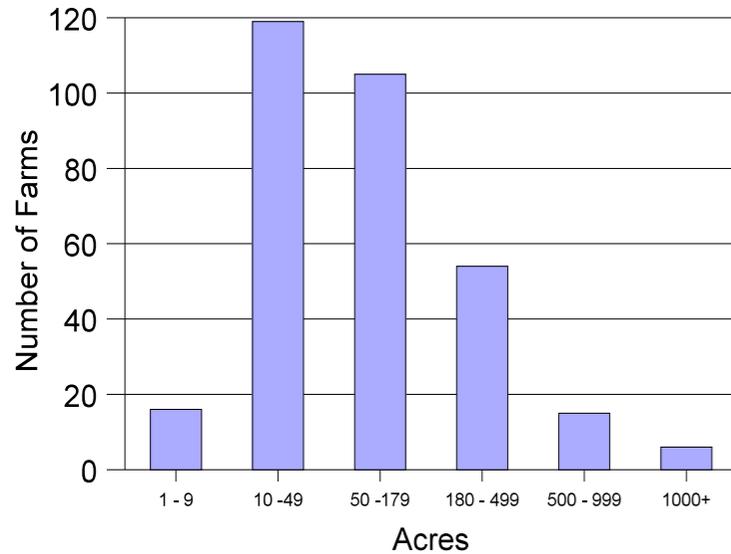
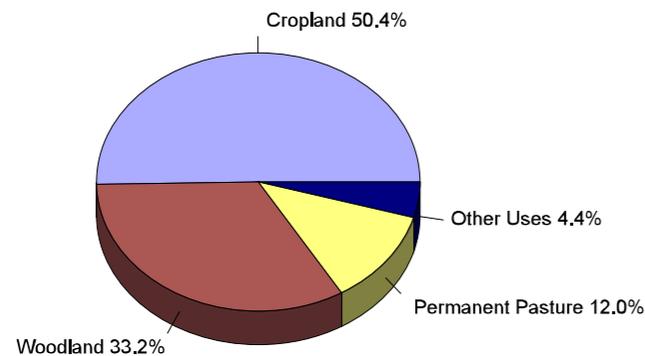


FARMS

Farms by Size



Land in Farms



Operator Characteristics

Principal operators by primary occupation:

Farming	154
Other	161

Principal operators by sex:

Male	243
Female	72

Average age of principal operator (years) 58.0

All operators⁵ by race:

White	458
Black or African American	10
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	1

All operators⁵ of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin 2

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. 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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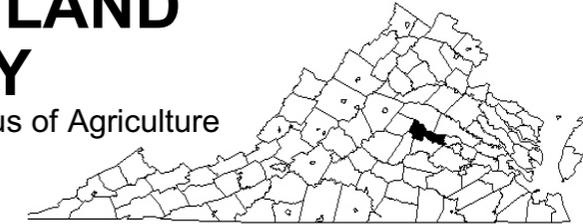
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GOOCHLAND COUNTY

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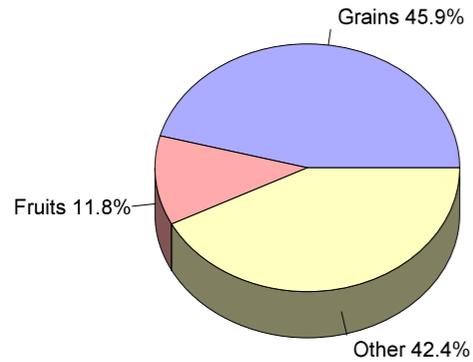
Goochland County lies in the east-central part of the Piedmont Plateau. Formed from part of Henrico in 1727, the county was named in honor of Sir William Gooch, then Governor of Virginia.

The county boasts a gently rolling topography, with altitudes ranging from 150 feet above sea level along the James River on the southern boundary to nearly 500 feet in the northwest corner of the county. Almost 75 percent of the county is forested. Temperatures average 36 degrees in January and 77 in July, and the frost-free growing season is approximately 187 days, usually extending from around April 11 to October 15. Annual precipitation averages nearly 38 inches.

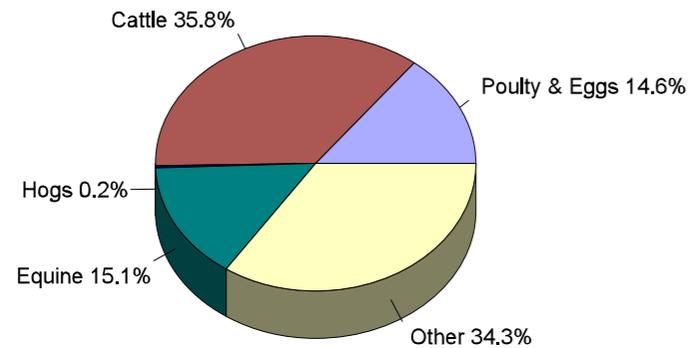
Highlights	2002	1997
Number of Farms	315	294
Land in Farms (acres)	52,335	52,111
Average size of farm	166	177
Market Value of Production		
County Total	\$5,750,000	\$7,020,000
Average per farm	\$18,254	\$23,878
Government Payments	\$277,000	\$179,000

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	681	43	95	1,898	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	43	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	175	36	93	979	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	459	49	97	1,964	3,046
Poultry and eggs	624	30	94	1,022	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,528	58	97	2,336	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	83	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	8	54	90	2,368	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	644	10	94	255	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	44	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	5	55	87	2,100	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	74,524	22	79	567	2,599
Cattle and calves	7,977	53	97	2,240	3,059
Horses and ponies	1,038	23	97	1,230	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	381	61	96	2,103	2,983
Quail	(D)	11	34	(D)	1,412
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	7,802	58	97	1,983	3,059
Corn for grain	1,883	41	96	1,582	2,592
All Wheat for grain	1,667	30	87	1,358	2,517
Soybeans	1,512	47	79	1,443	2,076
Corn for silage	1,489	23	87	912	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	1,358	124,231	34	25,928	8,702	13,084	NA	NA	NA
1945	1,167	127,810	45	27,840	3,105	7,685	19,493	NA	65,068
1950	888	114,398	69	20,921	8,615	10,581	7,857	NA	63,067
1954	741	105,104	103	21,270	2,507	8,197	14,028	NA	56,405
1959	558	88,120	143	18,333	4,325	9,664	7,328	NA	45,678
1964	472	94,508	238	19,130	4,527	6,947	7,532	3,339	20,408
1969	374	74,674	434	13,701	3,833	11,172	7,333	7,381	14,750
1974 4/	248	59,864	719	13,953	2,804	7,947	7,101	6,422	12,199
1978	278	62,441	1,073	18,477	1,701	8,022	4,805	6,156	20,731
1982	294	60,160	1,377	17,466	1,590	8,935	5,029	5,401	19,710
1987	253	57,858	1,424	14,452	6,211	7,411	5,501	3,630	16,244
1992	232	51,442	2,010	15,817	2,203	9,268	2,942	2,922	16,468
1997 2/	294	52,111	3,422	16,102	1,894	9,361	2,680	4,238	15,514
2002	315	52,335	3,001	15,532	2,594	8,293	6,262	4,319	13,052