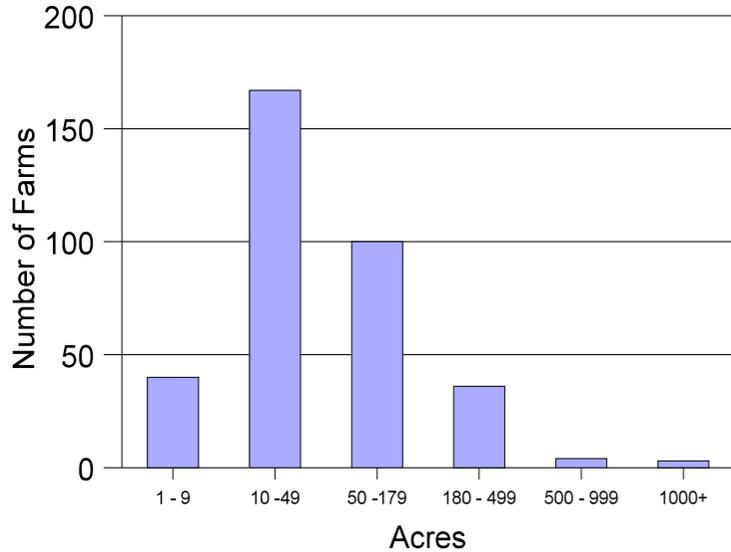
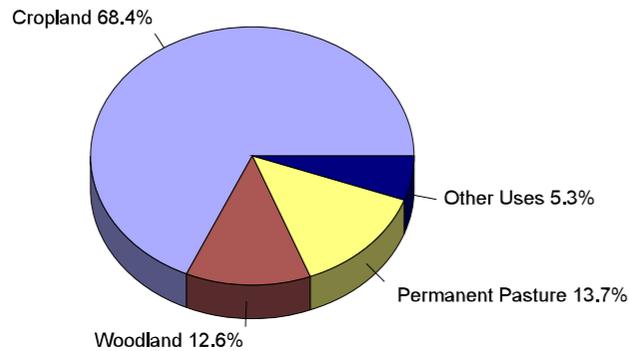


FARMS

Farms by Size



Land in Farms



Operator Characteristics

Principal operators by primary occupation:

Farming	177
Other	173

Principal operators by sex:

Male	252
Female	98

Average age of principal operator (years)

56.5

All operators⁵ by race:

White	525
Black or African American	9
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	4

All operators⁵ of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin

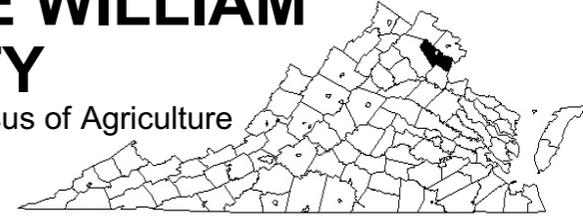
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Footnotes: 1/ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with items. 2/ Beginning with 1997, data includes an adjustment for undercoverage. 3/Due to changes in definition and wording of questions, figures for "cropland pasture" and "other pasture" 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.

Quantity

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY

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Prince William County is situated in the northern part of the Piedmont Plateau. Formed in 1730 from parts of Stafford and King George, the county was named in honor of Prince William, son of King George II, when the boy was only nine years old.

Elevations in the county range from a few feet above sea level along the Potomac River to about 1,300 feet in the Bull Run Mountains on the northwestern border. Temperatures in the area average 34 degrees in January and 79 in July. The frost-free growing season generally extends for 190 days, with the last killing frost falling around April 15 and the first in the fall on about October 24. Annual precipitation averages 38 inches, with the heaviest rains falling during July and August.

Highlights	2002	1997
Number of Farms	350	344
Land in Farms (acres)	32,549	39,876
Average size of farm	93	116
Market Value of Production		
County Total	\$9,521,000	\$10,009,000
Average per farm	\$27,203	\$29,096
Government Payments	\$240,000	\$153,000



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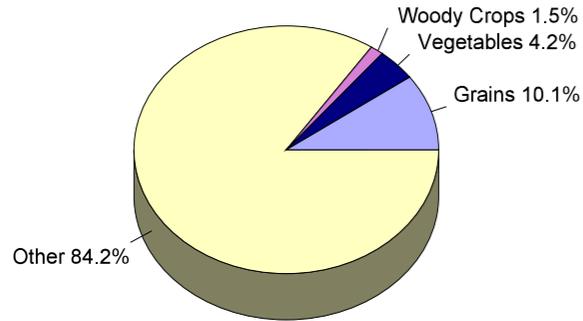
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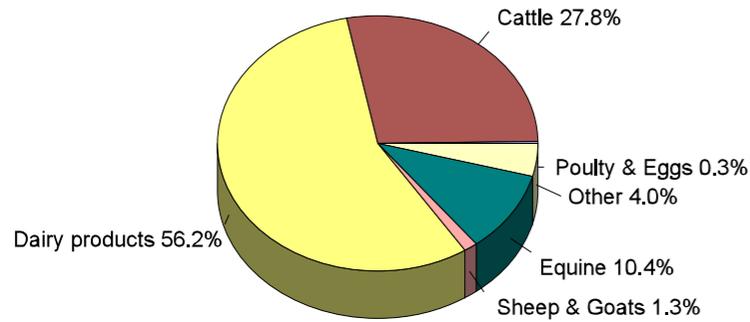
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CASH RECEIPTS

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	383	54	95	2,075	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	43	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	161	38	95	1,468	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	58	24	76	587	1,774
Other crops and hay	681	35	97	1,615	3,046
Poultry and eggs	20	44	94	1,717	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,593	57	97	2,310	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	3,211	20	83	808	2,493
Hogs and pigs	2	74	90	2,715	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	74	20	93	995	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	597	13	94	294	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	44	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	229	5	87	547	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	6,447	60	97	2,380	3,059
Horses and ponies	1,422	14	97	822	3,065
All Goats	1,061	7	95	444	2,971
Layers 20 weeks old and older	824	42	96	1,533	2,983
Pigeons	300	1	35	177	1,368
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,994	51	97	1,769	3,059
Corn for silage	1,523	22	87	895	2,307
Corn for grain	1,448	45	96	1,682	2,592
Soybeans	1,407	51	79	1,459	2,076
Sod harvested	(D)	2	14	(D)	740

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
				-Acres-					
1940	1,044	124,288	53	35,208	4,095	40,764	NA	NA	NA
1945	1,117	130,176	72	37,183	3,909	24,803	19,970	5,533	35,423
1950	867	108,613	131	27,723	7,053	26,302	12,029	6,571	24,594
1954	783	98,167	198	28,304	4,559	9,460	24,164	6,302	22,088
1959	479	89,319	234	22,943	4,601	19,585	15,969	5,308	17,280
1964	368	69,002	468	20,884	3,271	10,790	10,817	NA	NA
1969	308	62,600	818	16,269	3,635	16,850	4,190	4,009	7,752
1974 4/	276	53,464	1,424	16,212	2,167	14,777	4,828	NA	NA
1978	296	58,780	1,933	21,172	2,969	15,620	3,559	3,161	10,409
1982	314	51,172	2,514	23,043	2,104	8,848	5,793	2,103	6,446
1987	272	36,926	3,321	15,341	3,224	8,883	2,279	2,285	3,236
1992	259	32,973	4,065	12,565	1,852	7,486	3,596	999	5,311
1997 2/	344	39,876	4,694	19,117	1,043	7,422	3,843	1,582	5,248
2002	350	32,549	6,604	16,403	1,916	3,956	4,448	507	3,591