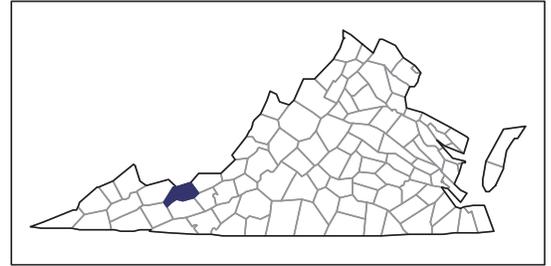


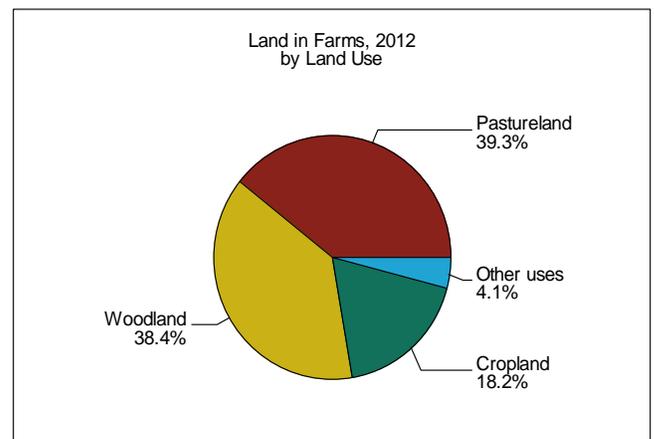
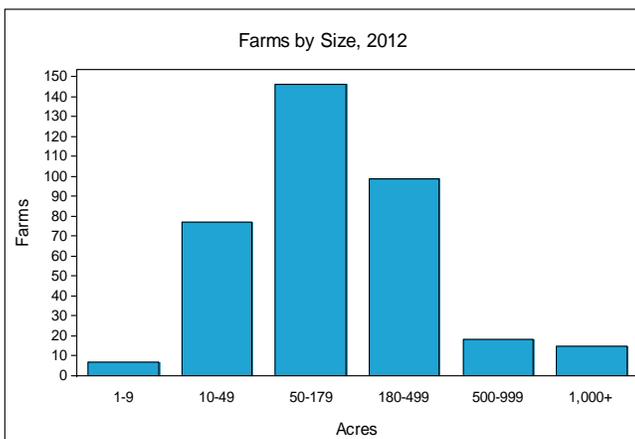
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Bland County Virginia

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	362	387	- 6
Land in Farms	77,456 acres	80,786 acres	- 4
Average Size of Farm	214 acres	209 acres	+ 2
Market Value of Products Sold	\$9,334,000	\$8,586,000	+ 9
Crop Sales \$1,222,000 (13 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$8,112,000 (87 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$25,785	\$22,186	+ 16
Government Payments	\$179,000	\$68,000	+ 163
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$2,632	\$808	+ 226





Bland County – Virginia

Ranked items among the 98 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	9,334	76	98	2,701	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,222	93	98	2,838	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	8,112	52	98	2,242	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	209	85	96	2,562	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	28	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	95	96	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	1	64	68	1,431	1,530
Other crops and hay	946	53	97	1,982	3,049
Poultry and eggs	10	73	97	2,374	3,013
Cattle and calves	6,853	31	97	1,575	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	41	68	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	4	67	86	2,415	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	38	95	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	44	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	5	75	96	2,492	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	11,176	45	97	1,513	3,057
Corn for silage	921	32	80	1,164	2,237
Corn for grain	78	86	94	2,386	2,638
Vegetables harvested, all	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	2,801
Potatoes	(D)	(D)	90	(D)	2,354
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	15,662	35	97	1,556	3,063
Sheep and lambs	1,772	16	94	534	2,897
Layers	928	64	97	1,921	3,040
Horses and ponies	315	70	97	2,491	3,072
Goats, all	236	65	96	2,029	2,996

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	69	Farming	162
\$1,000 to \$2,499	32	Other	200
\$2,500 to \$4,999	39	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	62	Male	324
\$10,000 to \$19,999	63	Female	38
\$20,000 to \$24,999	14	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	31	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	20	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	13	Black or African American	10
\$250,000 to \$499,999	5	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	1	White	534
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	8,365	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	23,109	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,484		
Average per farm (\$)	4,099		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. ² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.