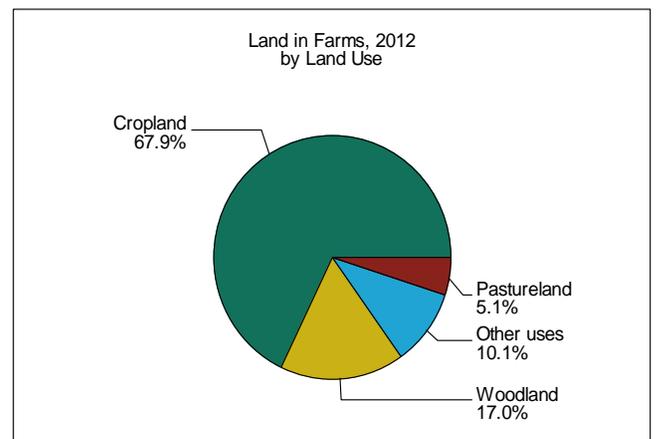
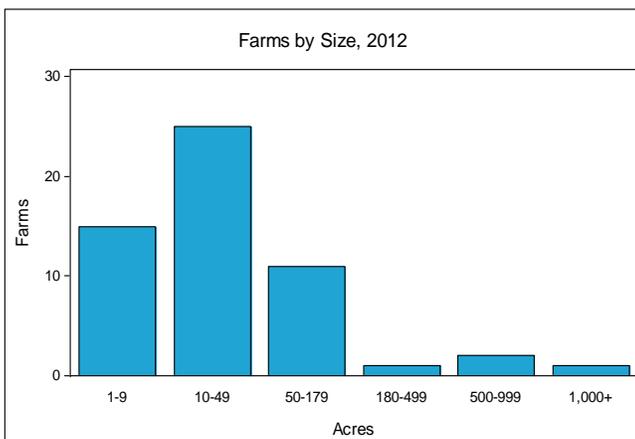


Mathews County Virginia

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	55	50	+ 10
Land in Farms	4,646 acres	4,412 acres	+ 5
Average Size of Farm	84 acres	88 acres	- 5
Market Value of Products Sold	\$2,403,000	\$3,019,000	- 20
Crop Sales \$2,235,000 (93 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$167,000 (7 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$43,683	\$60,390	- 28
Government Payments	\$67,000	\$54,000	+ 24
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$9,564	\$6,028	+ 59





Mathews 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	2,403	92	98	2,954	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,235	80	98	2,688	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	167	96	98	3,022	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,431	61	96	2,149	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	28	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	15	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	36	84	97	2,284	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	96	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	46	95	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	68	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	41	91	97	2,977	3,049
Poultry and eggs	32	55	97	1,817	3,013
Cattle and calves	24	95	97	3,023	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	68	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	-	-	86	-	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	2	95	97	2,929	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	8	88	95	2,874	3,011
Aquaculture	97	22	44	663	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	5	73	96	2,447	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	1,630	56	80	1,587	2,162
Corn for grain	776	58	94	1,974	2,638
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	385	93	97	2,965	3,057
Floriculture and bedding crops	147	1	75	63	1,848
Cut flowers and cut florist greens	(D)	1	46	31	871
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers	(D)	31	97	(D)	3,040
Cattle and calves	122	96	97	3,023	3,063
Colonies of bees	56	62	97	1,673	2,761
Pullets for laying flock replacement	49	63	88	2,091	2,637
Horses and ponies	40	94	97	3,022	3,072

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	11	Farming	26
\$1,000 to \$2,499	12	Other	29
\$2,500 to \$4,999	3		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	11	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	8	Male	40
\$20,000 to \$24,999	-	Female	15
\$25,000 to \$39,999	3		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	Average age of principal operator (years)	62.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	-	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$500,000 or more	2	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	2,034	Black or African American	-
Average per farm (\$)	36,984	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	83
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	486	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	8,842	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-

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.