



Virginia Beach City County Virginia

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	196	+5
Land in farms (acres)	23,350	-11
Average size of farm (acres)	119	-15
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	13,680,000	-23
Government payments	382,000	+3
Farm-related income	4,107,000	+147
Total farm production expenses	18,244,000	-5
Net cash farm income	-75,000	-113
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	69,794	-26
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	11,245	+30
Farm-related income	49,484	+141
Total farm production expenses	93,083	-9
Net cash farm income	-383	-113

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	91
Livestock, poultry, and products	9

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	80
Pastureland	6
Woodland	10
Other	5

Acres irrigated: 315

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	18
Reduced till	9
Intensive till	19
Cover crop	10

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	94	48
\$2,500 to \$4,999	27	14
\$5,000 to \$9,999	9	5
\$10,000 to \$24,999	14	7
\$25,000 to \$49,999	15	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	14	7
\$100,000 or more	23	12

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	40	20
10 to 49 acres	93	47
50 to 179 acres	47	24
180 to 499 acres	7	4
500 to 999 acres	5	3
1,000 + acres	4	2

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	Counties Producing Item
Total	13,680	65	98	2,554	3,077
Crops	12,461	37	97	1,932	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	8,955	22	96	1,434	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	25	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	11	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,546	12	97	631	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	1,176	13	95	431	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	641	44	93	972	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	58	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	81	97	2,653	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	1,219	81	98	2,805	3,073
Poultry and eggs	45	51	97	1,294	3,007
Cattle and calves	37	90	97	2,718	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	59	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	15	89	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	141	31	94	1,212	2,970
Aquaculture	633	15	49	156	1,251
Other animals and animal products	16	40	93	1,369	2,878

Total Producers ^c

Sex	343
Male	229
Female	114
Age	
<35	30
35 – 64	214
65 and older	99
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	-
Asian	-
Black or African American	20
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	323
More than one race	-
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	3
With military service	51
New and beginning farmers	144

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	83
Farm organically	2
Sell directly to consumers	24
Hire farm labor	31
Are family farms	95

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Soybeans for beans	10,146
Corn for grain	5,224
Wheat for grain, all	1,588
Forage (hay/haylage), all	530
Vegetables harvested, all	270

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)
Cattle and calves	132
Goats	215
Hogs and pigs	(D)
Horses and ponies	648
Layers	1,382
Pullets	-
Sheep and lambs	151
Turkeys	102

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

^a May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^b Among counties whose rank can be displayed. ^c Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

^d Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^e Position below the line does not indicate rank.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.