

Snapshot of Buchanan County's Local Food System

Production	County	Virginia
Number of farms	103 (0.2% of VA farms)	46,030
Proportion of farmers farming less than 10 years	13.7%	18.3%
Proportion of principal farmers younger than 35	6.8%	4.5%
Proportion of farms with direct sales (total direct sales)	3.9% (\$6,000)	7.8% (\$3,581,000)
Proportion of farms growing fruit & vegetables	4.9%	6.6%
Change in farmland acres 2007-2012	2.4%	2.4%
Proportion of county land in farmland	3.0%	32.9%
Retail Infrastructure	County	Virginia
Grocery stores/1,000 pop	0.30	0.18
Full service restaurants/1,000 pop	0.08	0.75
Farmers markets/1,000 pop (total markets)	0.00 (0 total markets)	0.03 (245 total markets)
Consumption, Access, and Health	County	Virginia
Proportion of population with inadequate fruit and vegetable consumption	*Suppressed	73.4%
Rates of diabetes and obesity (adults 18+)	Diabetes (12.4%); Obesity (28.7%)	Diabetes (9.8%); Obesity (27.4%)
Equity	County	Virginia
Proportion of population below poverty level	25.9%	11.7%
Proportion of households receiving SNAP	23.1%	9.7%
Proportion of workforce employed in foodservice (average annual salary from foodservice)	3.6% (\$13,016)	6.8% (\$16,011)
Proportion of workforce employed in farming (average annual salary from farming)	1.8% (\$107)	1.8% (\$7,833)

*Suppressed - In some cases data are suppressed by agencies to protect individually identifiable information, or because of a lack of conclusive information.

For more information on this county's agricultural statistics, visit its [2012 Census of Agriculture profile](#)

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