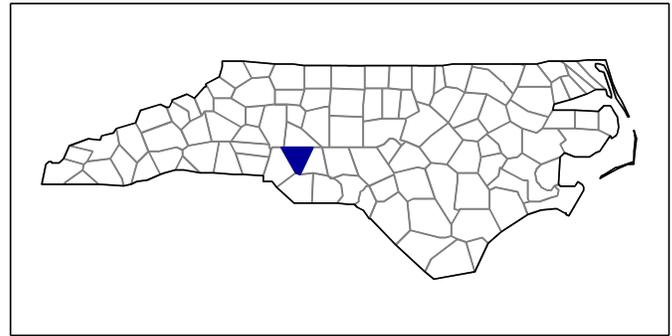




# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile



## Cabarrus, North Carolina

### Number of farms

658 farms in 2002, 588 farms in 1997, up 12 percent.

### Land in farms

73,346 acres in 2002, 66,531 acres in 1997, up 10 percent.

### Average size of farm

111 acres in 2002, 113 acres in 1997, down 2 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$30,573,000 in 2002, \$21,203,000 in 1997, up 44 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$5,837,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$24,736,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

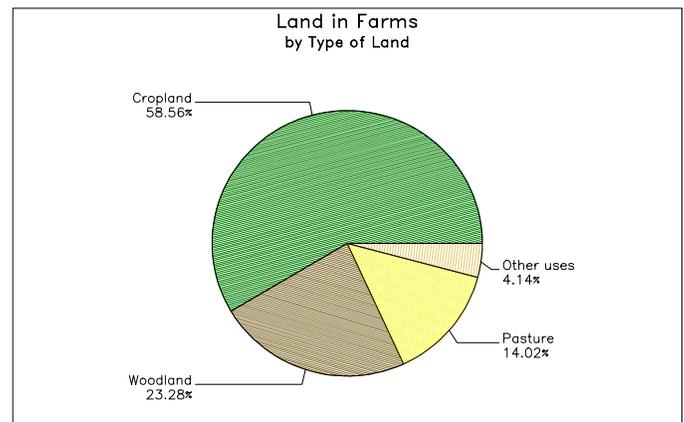
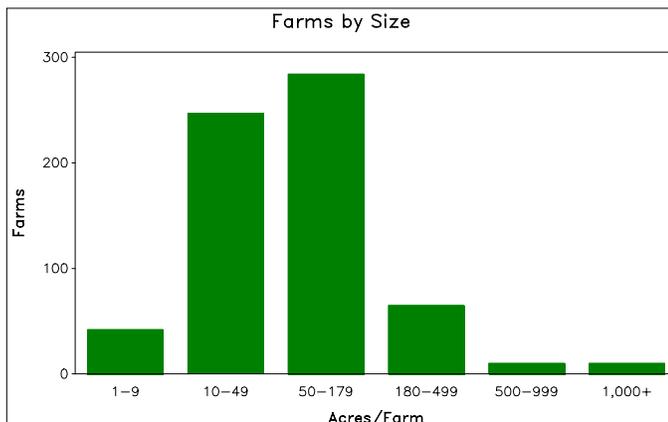
\$46,464 in 2002, \$36,059 in 1997, up 29 percent.

### Government Payments

\$476,000 in 2002, \$228,000 in 1997, up 109 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,575 in 2002, \$2,346 in 1997, up 52 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 100 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	30,573	56	100	1,681	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	5,837	77	100	1,998	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	24,736	39	99	1,115	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,695	50	98	1,631	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	86	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	55	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	100	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	3,432	33	96	582	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	68	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	439	46	100	2,013	3,046
Poultry and eggs	18,973	28	95	322	2,918
Cattle and calves	3,004	24	99	1,908	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,302	28	64	1,239	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	90	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	39	23	98	1,442	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	85	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	236,000	51	68	458	2,599
Turkeys	71,290	20	71	187	2,328
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	31	95	(D)	2,983
Cattle and calves	14,680	22	99	1,758	3,059
Hogs and pigs	(D)	48	91	(D)	2,926
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	14,327	15	100	1,414	3,059
Soybeans	6,260	53	85	1,146	2,076
Corn for grain	3,577	43	100	1,400	2,592
All Wheat for grain	3,428	36	83	1,073	2,517
Oats	717	6	74	654	2,215

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	171	Farming	348
\$1,000 to \$2,499	169	Other	310
\$2,500 to \$4,999	93		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	90	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	63	Male	581
\$20,000 to \$24,999	9	Female	77
\$25,000 to \$39,999	15		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	9	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	9	White	921
\$500,000 or more	12	Black or African American	7
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	23,830	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
Average per farm (\$)	36,271	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	7,210	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	10,974	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	6

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.