



## McDowell County North Carolina

### Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	298	-11
Land in farms (acres)	17,041	-26
Average size of farm (acres)	57	-17
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	17,428,000	-29
Government payments	114,000	+56
Farm-related income	1,402,000	+83
Total farm production expenses	15,349,000	-13
Net cash farm income	3,595,000	-53
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	58,483	-21
Government payments <sup>a</sup>	22,808	+1431
Farm-related income <sup>a</sup>	18,691	+115
Total farm production expenses	51,506	-3
Net cash farm income	12,064	-48

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

#### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	56
Livestock, poultry, and products	44

#### Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	4,823
Pastureland	3,449
Woodland	6,994
Other	1,775

Acres irrigated: 647

4% of land in farms

#### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	6
Reduced till	3
Intensive till	8
Cover crop	10

### Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
Less than \$2,500	137	46
\$2,500 to \$4,999	43	14
\$5,000 to \$9,999	52	17
\$10,000 to \$24,999	24	8
\$25,000 to \$49,999	13	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6	2
\$100,000 or more	23	8

### Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
1 to 9 acres	65	22
10 to 49 acres	122	41
50 to 179 acres	99	33
180 to 499 acres	11	4
500 to 999 acres	1	(Z)
1,000+ acres	-	-

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>c</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>c</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,428</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,536</b>	<b>3,078</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>9,710</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,191</b>	<b>3,074</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	10	95	99	2,546	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	56	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	52	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	2,696	35	100	555	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	366	52	95	1,008	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	5,938	28	97	436	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	438	11	36	134	1,274
Other crops and hay	262	83	97	2,575	3,035
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>7,718</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,266</b>	<b>3,076</b>
Poultry and eggs	6,514	60	100	654	3,027
Cattle and calves	291	73	99	2,607	3,047
Milk from cows	(D)	42	48	944	1,770
Hogs and pigs	(D)	72	95	1,416	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	35	49	95	2,015	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	94	33	87	1,556	2,907
Aquaculture	600	16	53	195	1,190
Other animals and animal products	164	13	96	780	2,909

<b>Producers <sup>d</sup></b>	<b>491</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>e</sup></b>	
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	78	
Male	297			
Female	194	Farm organically	1	
<b>Age</b>		Sell directly to consumers	15	
<35	35	Hire farm labor	23	
35 – 64	264	Are family farms	94	
65 and older	192			
<b>Race</b>			<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)</b>	
American Indian/Alaska Native	5		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	153,810
Asian	6		Cattle and calves	1,590
Black or African American	2		Goats	321
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		Hogs and pigs	192
White	478		Horses and ponies	300
More than one race	-		Layers	(D)
<b>Other characteristics</b>			Pullets	122
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	17		Sheep and lambs	59
With military service	57		Turkeys	-
New and beginning farmers	173			

<sup>a</sup> Average per farm receiving. <sup>b</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>c</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>d</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. <sup>e</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at [www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>f</sup> 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.