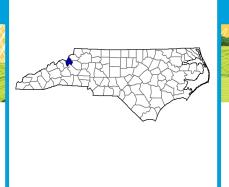


Avery County North Carolina



Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	351	-27
Land in farms (acres)	28,679	+2
Average size of farm (acres)	82	+40
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	20,085,000	+17
Government payments	37,000	-47
Farm-related income	1,023,000	-38
Total farm production expenses	20,295,000	+38
Net cash farm income	849,000	-80
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	57,222	+61
Government payments		
(average per farm receiving)	3,398	+10
Farm-related income	11,890	+12
Total farm production expenses	57,822	+90
Net cash farm income	2,420	-72

(**Z**) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by	y Type (%)	
Crops		96
Livestock, poultry, a	4	
Land in Farms by	/ Use (%) a	
Cropland		42
Pastureland		9
Woodland		42
Other		7
Acres irrigated: 35		
	(Z)% of land in	farms
Land Use Practic	es (% of farms)	
No till		7
Reduced till		1
Intensive till		8
Cover crop		11

Farms by Value of Sale	es		Farms by Size		
	Number	Percent of Total a		Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	103	29	1 to 9 acres	63	18
\$2,500 to \$4,999	45	13	10 to 49 acres	114	32
\$5,000 to \$9,999	48	14	50 to 179 acres	139	40
\$10,000 to \$24,999	56	16	180 to 499 acres	25	7
\$25,000 to \$49,999	27	8	500 to 999 acres	4	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	20	6	1,000 + acres	6	2
\$100,000 or more	52	15			

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Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

		Rank	Counties	Rank	Counties
	Sales	in	Producing	in	Producing
	(\$1,000)	State ^b	Item	U.S. b	Item
Total	20,085	82	100	2,372	3,077
Crops	19,306	56	100	1,671	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	93	99	2,490	2,916
Tobacco	(D)	61	62	264	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	52	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	219	76	100	1,239	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	291	40	98	854	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	3,328	35	98	481	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation					
woody crops	15,268	2	38	5	1,384
Other crops and hay	152	89	98	2,642	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	779	90	100	2,863	3,073
Poultry and eggs	19	81	98	1,591	3,007
Cattle and calves	648	62	100	2,496	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	44	49	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	8	78	95	1,621	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	23	60	95	2,151	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	22	66	92	2,127	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	32	54	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	22	42	97	1,289	2,878

Total Producers ^c	612	Percent of farms t	that:	Top Crops in Acres d	
Sex Male Female	445 167	Have internet access	74	Cultivated Christmas trees Forage (hay/haylage), all Nursery stock crops Vegetables harvested, all	5,416 2,017 712 70
Age <35 35 – 64 65 and older	60 303 249	Farm organically	1	Corn for grain	60
Race American Indian/Alaska Native Asian Black or African American	- - 2	Sell directly to consumers	7	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017) Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander White More than one race	610 -	Hire I farm labor	50	Cattle and calves Goats Hogs and pigs Horses and ponies	1,662 159 10 210
Other characteristics Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin With military service New and beginning farmers	- 77 123	Are family farms	93	Layers Pullets Sheep and lambs Turkeys	666 30 (D) (D)

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.