Beaufort County
North Carolina

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	310	-15
Land in farms (acres)	139,475	-6
Average size of farm (acres)	450	+10
Total	($)	
Market value of products sold	112,038,000	-8
Government payments	4,556,000	+51
Farm-related income	2,942,000	-42
Total farm production expenses	78,579,000	-12
Net cash farm income	40,958,000	+1
Per farm average	($)	
Market value of products sold	361,413	+8
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	25,173	+118
Farm-related income	20,867	-33
Total farm production expenses	253,481	+4
Net cash farm income	132,121	+18

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	65
Livestock, poultry, and products	35

Land in Farms by Use (%) [a]

Cropland	85
Pastureland	1
Woodland	12
Other	2

Acres irrigated: 2,045

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	30
Reduced till	13
Intensive till	29
Cover crop	6

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
Less than $2,500	112	36
$2,500 to $4,999	16	5
$5,000 to $9,999	19	6
$10,000 to $24,999	30	10
$25,000 to $49,999	18	6
$50,000 to $99,999	20	6
$100,000 or more	95	31

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
1 to 9 acres	22	7
10 to 49 acres	98	32
50 to 179 acres	77	25
180 to 499 acres	39	13
500 to 999 acres	26	8
1,000 + acres	48	15

2017 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE *County Profile*

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	**112,038**	**38**	**100**	**1,045**	**3,077**
Crops	**73,263**	**15**	**100**	**797**	**3,073**
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	56,127	3	99	700	2,916
Tobacco	6,070	35	62	66	323
Cotton and cottonseed	6,932	9	52	226	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,133	51	100	720	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	446	30	98	695	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	2,123	43	98	626	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	38	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	432	76	98	2,391	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	**38,775**	**46**	**100**	**1,134**	**3,073**
Poultry and eggs	(D)	65	98	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	100	(D)	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	49	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	29,899	20	95	200	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	9	71	95	2,388	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	7,643	1	54	49	1,251
Other animals and animal products	3	65	97	1,705	2,878

Total Producers [c] — 488

Sex
Male — 351
Female — 137

Age
<35 — 30
35 – 64 — 305
65 and older — 153

Race
American Indian/Alaska Native — -
Asian — -
Black or African American — 10
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander — -
White — 471
More than one race — 7

Other characteristics
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin — 2
With military service — 46
New and beginning farmers — 142

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **74**

Farm organically **-**

Sell directly to consumers **6**

Hire farm labor **39**

Are family farms **92**

Top Crops in Acres [d]

Soybeans for beans — 59,268
Corn for grain — 39,819
Wheat for grain, all — 11,911
Cotton, all — 9,236
Tobacco — 1,546

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens — (D)
Cattle and calves — 347
Goats — 218
Hogs and pigs — 35,910
Horses and ponies — 487
Layers — 665
Pullets — -
Sheep and lambs — 66
Turkeys — 11

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.