



## Mecklenburg County North Carolina

### Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	216	-9
Land in farms (acres)	11,674	-24
Average size of farm (acres)	54	-17
<b>Total</b>		
	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	(D)	(D)
Government payments	(D)	(D)
Farm-related income	1,667,000	-16
Total farm production expenses	(D)	(D)
Net cash farm income	(D)	(D)
<b>Per farm average</b>		
	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	(D)	(D)
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	(D)	(D)
Farm-related income	32,052	+24
Total farm production expenses	(D)	(D)
Net cash farm income	(D)	(D)

(D) Percent of state agriculture sales

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

Crops	(D)
Livestock, poultry, and products	(D)

#### Land in Farms by Use (%) <sup>a</sup>

Cropland	48
Pastureland	21
Woodland	23
Other	9

Acres irrigated: 494

4% of land in farms

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

No till	16
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	8
Cover crop	8

### Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	71	33
\$2,500 to \$4,999	31	14
\$5,000 to \$9,999	54	25
\$10,000 to \$24,999	34	16
\$25,000 to \$49,999	8	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4	2
\$100,000 or more	14	6

### Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	77	36
10 to 49 acres	84	39
50 to 179 acres	35	16
180 to 499 acres	18	8
500 to 999 acres	2	1
1,000 + acres	-	-

**Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold**

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	(D)	<b>31</b>	<b>100</b>	(D)	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	(D)	<b>4</b>	<b>100</b>	(D)	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	1,397	76	99	2,032	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	62	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	52	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	350	71	100	1,077	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	150	57	98	1,143	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	1	98	20	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	38	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	291	81	98	2,521	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>1,856</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,746</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	19	80	98	1,583	3,007
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	100	(D)	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	42	49	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	84	95	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	36	48	95	1,937	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	142	31	92	1,204	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	13	54	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	7	97	(D)	2,878

**Total Producers <sup>c</sup>**

**353**

**Sex**

Male	223
Female	130

**Age**

<35	2
35 – 64	216
65 and older	135

**Race**

American Indian/Alaska Native	-
Asian	8
Black or African American	2
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	339
More than one race	4

**Other characteristics**

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	11
With military service	42
New and beginning farmers	112

**Percent of farms that:**

Have internet access **77**

Farm organically **-**

Sell directly to consumers **11**

Hire farm labor **31**

Are family farms **92**

**Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup>**

Forage (hay/haylage), all	2,543
Soybeans for beans	1,302
Wheat for grain, all	1,215
Corn for grain	872
Nursery stock crops	305

**Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)**

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	114
Cattle and calves	1,854
Goats	202
Hogs and pigs	(D)
Horses and ponies	464
Layers	1,130
Pullets	38
Sheep and lambs	122
Turkeys	-

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

<sup>a</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>b</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>c</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

<sup>d</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>e</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.