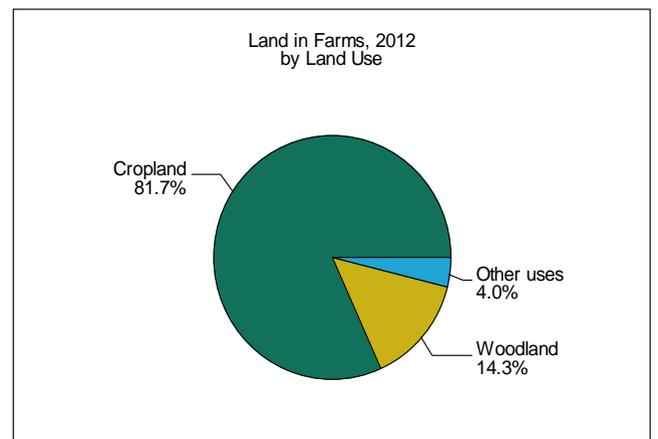
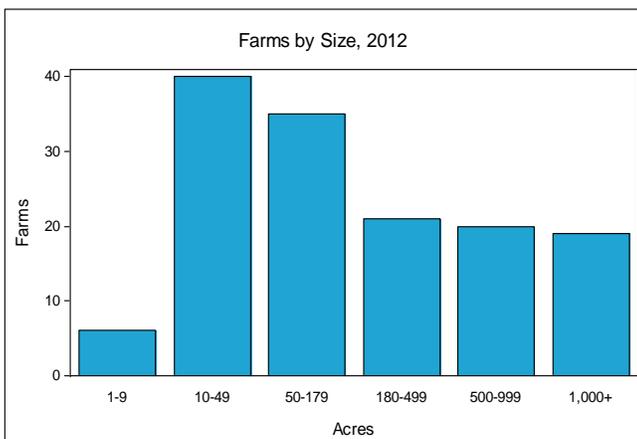


Chowan County North Carolina

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	141	190	- 26
Land in Farms	58,146 acres	74,689 acres	- 22
Average Size of Farm	412 acres	393 acres	+ 5
Market Value of Products Sold	\$70,723,000	\$41,085,000	+ 72
Crop Sales \$57,557,000 (81 percent) Livestock Sales \$13,166,000 (19 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$501,581	\$216,238	+ 132
Government Payments	\$1,586,000	\$3,441,000	- 54
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$15,545	\$25,875	- 40





Chowan County – North Carolina

Ranked items among the 100 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	70,723	46	100	1,482	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	57,557	27	100	1,059	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	13,166	64	100	1,929	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	19,677	35	100	1,243	2,926
Tobacco	(D)	(D)	74	(D)	436
Cotton and cottonseed	9,604	18	58	183	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	4,921	23	99	380	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	38	85	98	1,900	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	50	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	2	97	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	9,182	55	99	626	3,013
Cattle and calves	383	74	99	2,835	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	52	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	3,588	41	91	634	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	80	98	2,613	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	-	-	93	-	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	58	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	94	95	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	15,371	39	92	1,010	2,162
Cotton, all	12,546	21	58	203	635
Upland cotton	12,546	21	58	203	635
Wheat for grain, all	7,967	33	91	766	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	7,967	33	91	681	2,480
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	250,475	52	93	463	2,723
Hogs and pigs	6,220	44	94	722	2,889
Cattle and calves	1,293	77	100	2,828	3,063
Layers	440	80	100	2,442	3,040
Sheep and lambs	(D)	62	95	(D)	2,897

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	20	Farming	103
\$1,000 to \$2,499	6	Other	38
\$2,500 to \$4,999	7		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	9	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	12	Male	134
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5	Female	7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	10		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	14	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	15	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$500,000 or more	36	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	51,237	Black or African American	8
Average per farm (\$)	363,385	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	197
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	22,072	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	156,540	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. ² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.