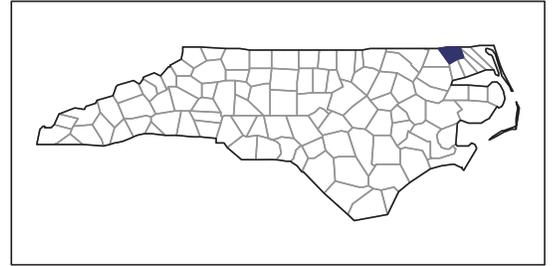


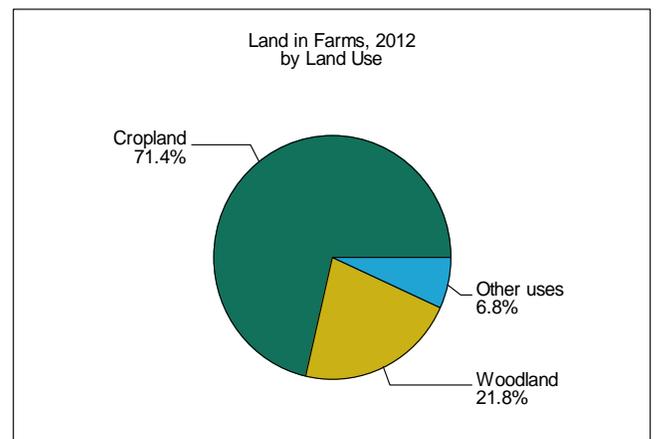
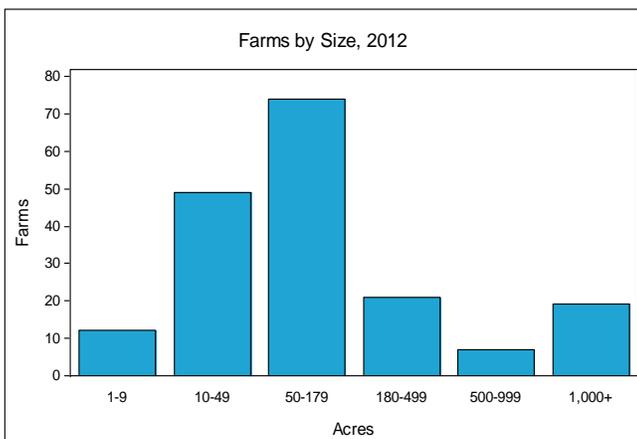
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Gates County North Carolina

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	182	181	+ 1
Land in Farms	63,291 acres	75,819 acres	- 17
Average Size of Farm	348 acres	419 acres	- 17
Market Value of Products Sold	\$66,817,000	\$47,879,000	+ 40
Crop Sales \$30,662,000 (46 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$36,155,000 (54 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$367,127	\$264,525	+ 39
Government Payments	\$980,000	\$2,359,000	- 58
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$7,658	\$18,285	- 58





Gates 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	66,817	50	100	1,534	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	30,662	47	100	1,465	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	36,155	43	100	1,142	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	21,642	28	100	1,199	2,926
Tobacco	(D)	70	74	(D)	436
Cotton and cottonseed	5,330	26	58	260	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	94	96	99	1,870	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	4	97	98	2,560	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	3,543	16	97	835	3,049
Poultry and eggs	28,085	38	99	357	3,013
Cattle and calves	338	79	99	2,851	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	52	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	7,566	32	91	481	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	31	58	98	2,209	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	130	51	93	1,621	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	58	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	5	77	95	2,489	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	22,994	26	92	877	2,162
Wheat for grain, all	11,548	19	91	633	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	11,548	19	91	541	2,480
Cotton, all	8,724	25	58	256	635
Upland cotton	8,724	25	58	254	635
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,125,530	33	93	286	2,723
Hogs and pigs	22,637	33	94	470	2,889
Cattle and calves	792	88	100	2,905	3,063
Rabbits, live	602	3	74	80	2,157
Layers	440	80	100	2,442	3,040

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	80	Farming	80
\$1,000 to \$2,499	5	Other	102
\$2,500 to \$4,999	11	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1	Male	148
\$10,000 to \$19,999	5	Female	34
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	10	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	9	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	9	Black or African American	12
\$250,000 to \$499,999	9	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	38	White	245
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	52,774	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	289,969	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	15,801		
Average per farm (\$)	86,820		

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.