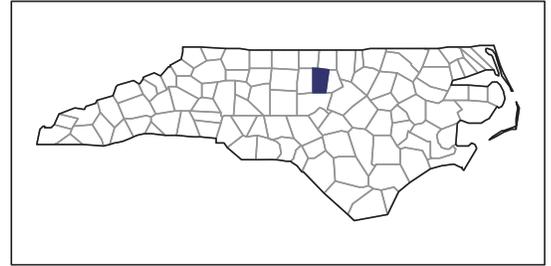


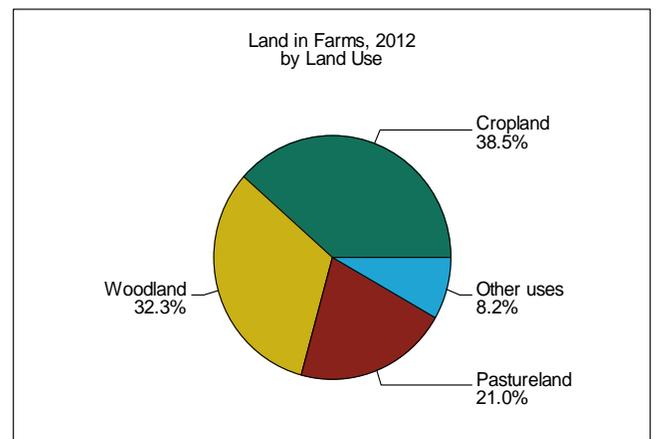
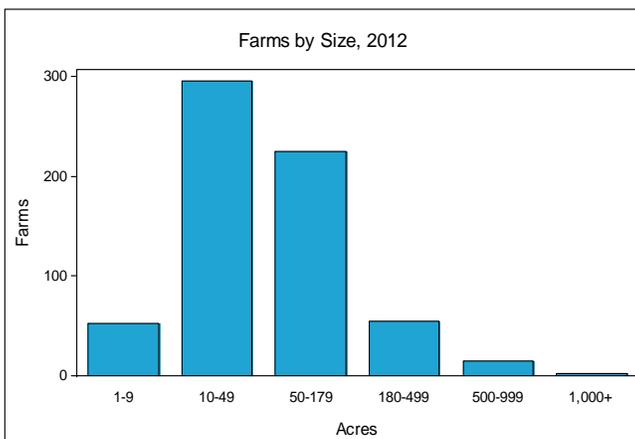
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Orange County North Carolina

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	645	604	+ 7
Land in Farms	56,666 acres	60,057 acres	- 6
Average Size of Farm	88 acres	99 acres	- 11
Market Value of Products Sold	\$30,613,000	\$28,084,000	+ 9
Crop Sales \$15,472,000 (51 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$15,141,000 (49 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$47,462	\$46,497	+ 2
Government Payments	\$611,000	\$420,000	+ 45
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$4,188	\$3,179	+ 32





Orange 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	30,613	72	100	2,134	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	15,472	69	100	1,860	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	15,141	62	100	1,845	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	3,116	66	100	1,917	2,926
Tobacco	2,334	43	74	131	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	58	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,362	39	99	729	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	7,048	19	97	342	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	48	50	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	39	97	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	5,594	62	99	724	3,013
Cattle and calves	2,947	32	99	2,114	3,056
Milk from cows	2,412	18	52	964	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	44	91	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,118	2	93	217	3,011
Aquaculture	195	23	58	527	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	4	95	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	10,993	23	98	1,531	3,057
Corn for grain	2,200	58	100	1,684	2,638
Soybeans for beans	2,144	68	92	1,508	2,162
Wheat for grain, all	1,762	64	91	1,396	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	1,762	64	91	1,328	2,480
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers	139,498	19	100	318	3,040
Roosters	12,448	18	69	161	2,120
Cattle and calves	10,108	30	100	1,923	3,063
Hogs and pigs	5,126	46	94	760	2,889
Colonies of bees	(D)	1	95	(D)	2,761

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	167	Farming	308
\$1,000 to \$2,499	85	Other	337
\$2,500 to \$4,999	82	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	105	Male	468
\$10,000 to \$19,999	58	Female	177
\$20,000 to \$24,999	17	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	42	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	10	American Indian or Alaska Native	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	38	Asian	7
\$100,000 to \$249,999	16	Black or African American	51
\$250,000 to \$499,999	10	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	15	White	927
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	31,639	More than one race	18
Average per farm (\$)	49,052	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	10
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	2,346		
Average per farm (\$)	3,637		

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.