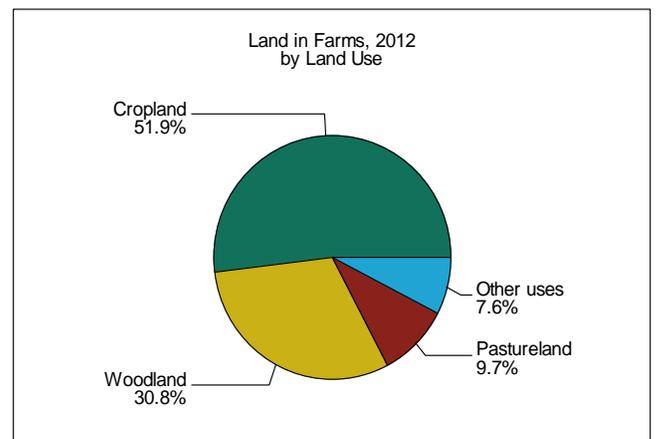
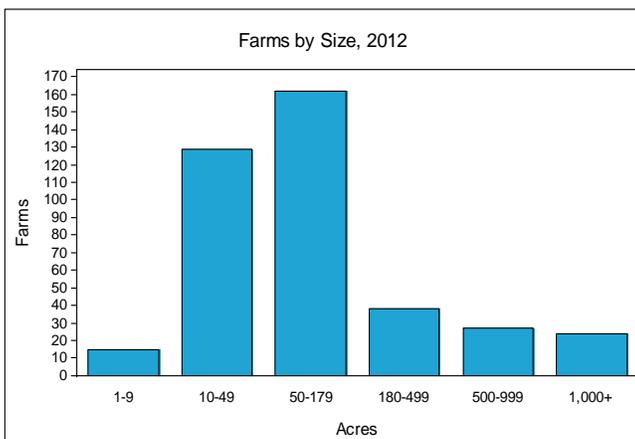


Person County North Carolina

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	395	403	- 2
Land in Farms	95,299 acres	98,521 acres	- 3
Average Size of Farm	241 acres	244 acres	- 1
Market Value of Products Sold	\$41,028,000	\$19,287,000	+ 113
Crop Sales \$36,324,000 (89 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$4,704,000 (11 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$103,869	\$47,857	+ 117
Government Payments	\$851,000	\$730,000	+ 17
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$4,948	\$6,826	- 28





Person 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	41,028	64	100	1,921	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	36,324	40	100	1,357	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	4,704	75	100	2,496	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	11,150	50	100	1,473	2,926
Tobacco	22,932	11	74	16	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	58	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	72	99	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	581	74	97	1,278	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	50	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,130	46	97	1,818	3,049
Poultry and eggs	19	83	99	2,082	3,013
Cattle and calves	2,610	35	99	2,164	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	29	52	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	47	91	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	29	59	98	2,246	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	19	74	93	2,666	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	58	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	81	17	95	1,213	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	13,978	40	92	1,029	2,162
Wheat for grain, all	10,208	23	91	673	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	10,208	23	91	581	2,480
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	7,656	34	98	1,879	3,057
Tobacco	5,240	11	74	14	437
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	7,673	39	100	2,133	3,063
Hogs and pigs	5,258	45	94	750	2,889
Layers	651	71	100	2,189	3,040
Horses and ponies	345	61	100	2,406	3,072
Goats, all	328	63	99	1,716	2,996

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	120	Farming	200
\$1,000 to \$2,499	41	Other	195
\$2,500 to \$4,999	43	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	57	Male	355
\$10,000 to \$19,999	31	Female	40
\$20,000 to \$24,999	14	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	13	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-	American Indian or Alaska Native	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	14	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	23	Black or African American	54
\$250,000 to \$499,999	8	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	31	White	496
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	35,070	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	88,784	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	8,990		
Average per farm (\$)	22,759		

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.