



North Carolina 3rd District

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

	2017
Number of farms	3,031
Land in farms (acres)	1,258,543
Average size of farm (acres)	415
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Total	(\$)
Market value of products sold	1,722,737,000
Government payments	27,850,000
Farm-related income	33,621,000
Total farm production expenses	1,277,300,000
Net cash farm income	506,907,000
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Per farm average	(\$)
Market value of products sold	568,372
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	18,805
Farm-related income	24,223
Total farm production expenses	421,412
Net cash farm income	167,241

13 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	40
Livestock, poultry, and products	60

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	82
Pastureland	2
Woodland	12
Other	4

Acres irrigated: 17,913

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	23
Reduced till	13
Intensive till	34
Cover crop	10

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	1,001	33
\$2,500 to \$4,999	197	6
\$5,000 to \$9,999	190	6
\$10,000 to \$24,999	298	10
\$25,000 to \$49,999	165	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	117	4
\$100,000 or more	1,063	35

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	339	11
10 to 49 acres	878	29
50 to 179 acres	790	26
180 to 499 acres	416	14
500 to 999 acres	230	8
1,000 + acres	378	12

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	CDs Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	CDs Producing Item
Total	1,722,737	3	13	62	431
Crops	695,924	1	13	66	431
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	406,255	1	13	56	381
Tobacco	84,660	5	12	8	68
Cotton and cottonseed	50,967	2	9	25	108
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	94,729	3	13	39	418
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	8	13	223	416
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	30,180	7	13	137	425
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	7	11	(D)	326
Other crops and hay	26,513	3	13	120	395
Livestock, poultry, and products	1,026,813	3	13	52	422
Poultry and eggs	419,707	5	13	36	404
Cattle and calves	4,024	11	13	254	396
Milk from cows	(D)	11	13	229	312
Hogs and pigs	585,390	2	13	10	367
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	12	13	(D)	393
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	513	11	13	252	393
Aquaculture	14,477	1	13	32	328
Other animals and animal products	2,053	4	13	113	413

Total Producers ^c

4,709

Sex

Male 3,401
Female 1,308

Age

<35 417
35 – 64 2,730
65 and older 1,562

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native 4
Asian 39
Black or African American 118
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander -
White 4,531
More than one race 17

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin 64
With military service 588
New and beginning farmers 1,260

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **77**

Farm organically **(Z)**

Sell directly to consumers **8**

Hire farm labor **38**

Are family farms **92**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Soybeans for beans 497,427
Corn for grain 283,745
Wheat for grain, all 88,765
Cotton, all 75,285
Vegetables harvested, all 31,180

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens 8,137,177
Cattle and calves 15,397
Goats 2,322
Hogs and pigs 1,443,208
Horses and ponies 2,582
Layers (D)
Pullets 579,782
Sheep and lambs 1,237
Turkeys (D)

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

^a May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^b Among CDs whose rank can be displayed. ^c Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

^d Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^e 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.