



## North Carolina 6th District

### Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

	2017
Number of farms	5,825
Land in farms (acres)	740,881
Average size of farm (acres)	127
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<b>Total</b>	(\$)
Market value of products sold	713,084,000
Government payments	2,135,000
Farm-related income	27,928,000
Total farm production expenses	544,113,000
Net cash farm income	199,035,000
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<b>Per farm average</b>	(\$)
Market value of products sold	122,418
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	2,986
Farm-related income	14,887
Total farm production expenses	93,410
Net cash farm income	34,169

**6** Percent of state agriculture sales

#### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	26
Livestock, poultry, and products	74

#### Land in Farms by Use (%) <sup>a</sup>

Cropland	42
Pastureland	21
Woodland	30
Other	7

**Acres irrigated: 10,676**

1% of land in farms

#### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	13
Reduced till	5
Intensive till	12
Cover crop	11

### Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	2,270	39
\$2,500 to \$4,999	718	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	895	15
\$10,000 to \$24,999	771	13
\$25,000 to \$49,999	301	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	183	3
\$100,000 or more	687	12

### Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	514	9
10 to 49 acres	2,098	36
50 to 179 acres	2,207	38
180 to 499 acres	718	12
500 to 999 acres	201	3
1,000 + acres	87	1

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	CDs Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	CDs Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>713,084</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>431</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>186,534</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>431</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	39,430	7	13	159	381
Tobacco	98,248	4	12	5	68
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	7	9	88	108
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	8,120	8	13	177	418
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	3,194	6	13	207	416
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	28,096	8	13	146	425
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	4	11	(D)	326
Other crops and hay	9,113	7	13	205	395
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>526,550</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>422</b>
Poultry and eggs	(D)	6	13	38	404
Cattle and calves	43,552	2	13	151	396
Milk from cows	58,129	1	13	100	312
Hogs and pigs	15,091	7	13	80	367
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	1,135	2	13	130	393
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	2,754	2	13	96	393
Aquaculture	(D)	9	13	153	328
Other animals and animal products	(D)	7	13	(D)	413

Total Producers <sup>c</sup>

9,224

Sex

Male 6,138  
Female 3,086

Age

<35 727  
35 – 64 5,120  
65 and older 3,377

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native 27  
Asian 22  
Black or African American 286  
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 3  
White 8,853  
More than one race 33

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin 61  
With military service 1,038  
New and beginning farmers 2,418

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **75**

Farm organically **2**

Sell directly to consumers **10**

Hire farm labor **24**

Are family farms **97**

Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup>

Forage (hay/haylage), all 99,591  
Soybeans for beans 63,502  
Wheat for grain, all 25,338  
Tobacco 20,967  
Corn for grain 19,536

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens 12,852,340  
Cattle and calves 129,098  
Goats 7,684  
Hogs and pigs 38,972  
Horses and ponies 6,438  
Layers 1,917,470  
Pullets (D)  
Sheep and lambs 4,915  
Turkeys (D)

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

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

<sup>d</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at [www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>e</sup> 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.