



Alamance County North Carolina

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	720	-2
Land in farms (acres)	80,042	-4
Average size of farm (acres)	111	-3
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	41,749,000	+27
Government payments	147,000	-69
Farm-related income	1,577,000	-4
Total farm production expenses	35,436,000	+4
Net cash farm income	8,036,000	+846
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	57,985	+29
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	2,367	-36
Farm-related income	6,183	-10
Total farm production expenses	49,217	+5
Net cash farm income	11,162	+862

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	35
Livestock, poultry, and products	65

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	42
Pastureland	26
Woodland	25
Other	7

Acres irrigated: 710

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	13
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	11
Cover crop	10

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	312	43
\$2,500 to \$4,999	79	11
\$5,000 to \$9,999	95	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	93	13
\$25,000 to \$49,999	34	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	21	3
\$100,000 or more	86	12

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	81	11
10 to 49 acres	249	35
50 to 179 acres	279	39
180 to 499 acres	85	12
500 to 999 acres	21	3
1,000 + acres	5	1

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	Counties Producing Item
Total	41,749	67	100	1,922	3,077
Crops	14,739	68	100	1,838	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	3,369	64	99	1,775	2,916
Tobacco	7,278	31	62	60	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	52	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	832	56	100	801	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	216	47	98	983	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	1,272	56	98	781	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	38	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,770	34	98	1,334	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	27,011	56	100	1,411	3,073
Poultry and eggs	16,157	51	98	470	3,007
Cattle and calves	5,545	19	100	1,637	3,055
Milk from cows	5,004	8	49	601	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	66	95	1,232	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	120	15	95	1,141	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	88	43	92	1,516	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	49	54	380	1,251
Other animals and animal products	64	21	97	902	2,878

Total Producers ^c	1,207	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all
Male	792	76	14,594
Female	415		Soybeans for beans
Age		Farm organically	3,527
<35	76	3	Corn for grain
35 – 64	715		3,203
65 and older	416		Tobacco
Race		Sell directly to consumers	1,525
American Indian/Alaska Native	4	13	Corn for silage or greenchop
Asian	8		1,077
Black or African American	67		Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	Hire farm labor	Broilers and other meat-type chickens
White	1,128	21	252,512
More than one race	-		Cattle and calves
Other characteristics		Are family farms	15,347
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	2	98	Goats
With military service	98		1,548
New and beginning farmers	371		Hogs and pigs
			166
			Horses and ponies
			575
			Layers
			370,579
			Pullets
			205,072
			Sheep and lambs
			976
			Turkeys
			18

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 counties 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.