



Chatham County North Carolina

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,116	-2
Land in farms (acres)	105,995	-5
Average size of farm (acres)	95	-3
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	171,150,000	+4
Government payments	103,000	-81
Farm-related income	3,293,000	-6
Total farm production expenses	135,429,000	-10
Net cash farm income	39,117,000	+120
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	153,360	+6
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	1,066	-74
Farm-related income	10,760	+1
Total farm production expenses	121,352	-8
Net cash farm income	35,051	+124

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	7
Livestock, poultry, and products	93

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	29
Pastureland	36
Woodland	27
Other	8

Acres irrigated: 295

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	7
Reduced till	5
Intensive till	3
Cover crop	6

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	399	36
\$2,500 to \$4,999	137	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	166	15
\$10,000 to \$24,999	179	16
\$25,000 to \$49,999	71	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	39	3
\$100,000 or more	125	11

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	97	9
10 to 49 acres	446	40
50 to 179 acres	425	38
180 to 499 acres	124	11
500 to 999 acres	20	2
1,000 + acres	4	(Z)

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	171,150	25	100	649	3,077
Crops	11,205	76	100	1,991	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	2,465	68	99	1,874	2,916
Tobacco	3,279	39	62	99	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	52	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	882	55	100	781	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	2,874	39	98	525	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	18	38	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,439	41	98	1,547	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	159,945	18	100	268	3,073
Poultry and eggs	142,963	12	98	84	3,007
Cattle and calves	9,659	5	100	1,281	3,055
Milk from cows	2,633	19	49	757	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	42	95	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	407	2	95	416	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	1,698	3	92	94	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	45	54	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	1,752	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all
Male	1,065	79	19,035
Female	687		Soybeans for beans
Age		Farm organically	3,208
<35	140	2	Corn for grain
35 – 64	929		1,523
65 and older	683		Wheat for grain, all
Race		Sell directly to consumers	1,290
American Indian/Alaska Native	1	10	Corn for silage or greenchop
Asian	4		735
Black or African American	24	Hire farm labor	
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	3	22	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
White	1,714		Broilers and other
More than one race	6	Are family farms	meat-type chickens
Other characteristics		98	4,068,523
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	11		Cattle and calves
With military service	178		32,403
New and beginning farmers	493		Goats
			1,717
			Hogs and pigs
			(D)
			Horses and ponies
			1,136
			Layers
			252,773
			Pullets
			329,329
			Sheep and lambs
			1,065
			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 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.