



Clay County North Carolina

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	164	+6
Land in farms (acres)	12,525	+7
Average size of farm (acres)	76	(Z)
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	2,929,000	-8
Government payments	129,000	-39
Farm-related income	199,000	(D)
Total farm production expenses	3,202,000	(D)
Net cash farm income	55,000	-88
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	17,857	-13
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	5,594	+9
Farm-related income	5,388	(D)
Total farm production expenses	19,523	(D)
Net cash farm income	334	-89

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	70
Livestock, poultry, and products	30

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	38
Pastureland	23
Woodland	33
Other	6

Acres irrigated: 192

2% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	7
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	4
Cover crop	5

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	65	40
\$2,500 to \$4,999	33	20
\$5,000 to \$9,999	19	12
\$10,000 to \$24,999	30	18
\$25,000 to \$49,999	10	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3	2
\$100,000 or more	4	2

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	13	8
10 to 49 acres	80	49
50 to 179 acres	55	34
180 to 499 acres	15	9
500 to 999 acres	-	-
1,000 + acres	1	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	2,929	96	100	2,925	3,077
Crops	2,045	94	100	2,670	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	634	82	99	2,213	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	62	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	52	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	909	54	100	773	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	213	48	98	989	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	20	87	98	1,582	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	38	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	269	83	98	2,541	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	884	88	100	2,849	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	708	61	100	2,475	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	49	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	83	95	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	25	55	95	2,106	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	52	54	92	1,777	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	48	54	375	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	16	97	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	227	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex			
Male	171	Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all 2,660
Female	56		Corn for grain 731
			Soybeans for beans (D)
Age			Vegetables harvested, all 183
<35	20	Farm organically	Squash, all 48
35 – 64	104		
65 and older	103		
Race			Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	4	Sell directly to consumers	Broilers and other meat-type chickens -
Asian	-		Cattle and calves 2,330
Black or African American	-		Goats 73
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	Hire farm labor	Hogs and pigs 12
White	219		Horses and ponies 149
More than one race	4		Layers 246
Other characteristics			Pullets 55
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	8	Are family farms	Sheep and lambs 408
With military service	36		Turkeys 4
New and beginning farmers	67		

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.