



Forsyth County North Carolina

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	557	-16
Land in farms (acres)	34,801	-14
Average size of farm (acres)	62	+2
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	10,903,000	-32
Government payments	70,000	-72
Farm-related income	1,333,000	-69
Total farm production expenses	12,793,000	-40
Net cash farm income	-487,000	+30
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	19,574	-19
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	2,199	-12
Farm-related income	8,386	-61
Total farm production expenses	22,968	-29
Net cash farm income	-874	+17

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	85
Livestock, poultry, and products	15

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	45
Pastureland	16
Woodland	29
Other	10

Acres irrigated: 115

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	11
Reduced till	4
Intensive till	13
Cover crop	13

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	289	52
\$2,500 to \$4,999	73	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	69	12
\$10,000 to \$24,999	74	13
\$25,000 to \$49,999	25	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	13	2
\$100,000 or more	14	3

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	78	14
10 to 49 acres	304	55
50 to 179 acres	144	26
180 to 499 acres	25	4
500 to 999 acres	4	1
1,000 + acres	2	(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	10,903	88	100	2,633	3,077
Crops	9,275	79	100	2,076	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	1,458	75	99	2,019	2,916
Tobacco	1,481	44	62	141	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	52	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	2,176	38	100	539	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	231	44	98	952	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	3,263	36	98	487	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	10	25	38	532	1,384
Other crops and hay	656	69	98	2,197	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	1,628	83	100	2,767	3,073
Poultry and eggs	56	71	98	1,191	3,007
Cattle and calves	879	54	100	2,423	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	49	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	142	12	95	1,026	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	362	20	92	590	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	35	54	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	160	10	97	595	2,878

Total Producers ^c	908	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all
Male	598	71	6,146
Female	310		Soybeans for beans
			3,617
Age		Farm organically	Corn for grain
<35	75	-	887
35 – 64	458		Vegetables harvested, all
65 and older	375		541
			Tobacco
			500
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	8	16	Broilers and other meat-type chickens
Asian	5		25
Black or African American	10	Hire farm labor	Cattle and calves
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	19	3,664
White	881		Goats
More than one race	4		1,028
			Hogs and pigs
Other characteristics		Are family farms	151
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	8	98	Horses and ponies
With military service	87		678
New and beginning farmers	261		Layers
			1,998
			Pullets
			100
			Sheep and lambs
			267
			Turkeys
			10

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.