



# Polk County North Carolina

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	281	-3
Land in farms (acres)	29,102	+21
Average size of farm (acres)	104	+25
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<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	6,601,000	(D)
Government payments	104,000	+86
Farm-related income	2,107,000	+70
Total farm production expenses	10,638,000	-7
Net cash farm income	-1,826,000	-12
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<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	23,491	(D)
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	2,656	+81
Farm-related income	22,652	+55
Total farm production expenses	37,856	-4
Net cash farm income	-6,499	-16

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	75
Livestock, poultry, and products	25

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

Cropland	27
Pastureland	19
Woodland	47
Other	6

Acres irrigated: 112

(Z)% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	9
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	3
Cover crop	6

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	132	47
\$2,500 to \$4,999	50	18
\$5,000 to \$9,999	35	12
\$10,000 to \$24,999	28	10
\$25,000 to \$49,999	11	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12	4
\$100,000 or more	13	5

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	24	9
10 to 49 acres	138	49
50 to 179 acres	82	29
180 to 499 acres	31	11
500 to 999 acres	5	2
1,000 + acres	1	(Z)

**Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold**

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,601</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,789</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>4,935</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,381</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	62	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	52	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	77	100	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	742	18	98	549	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	38	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,107	49	98	1,778	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>1,666</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,761</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	721	58	100	2,466	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	38	49	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	44	40	95	1,826	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	645	9	92	327	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	54	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	35	32	97	1,118	2,878

<b>Total Producers <sup>c</sup></b>	<b>498</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all
Male	283	<b>85</b>	5,013
Female	215		Apples
<b>Age</b>		Farm organically	200
<35	50	<b>-</b>	Grapes
35 – 64	236		51
65 and older	212		Vegetables harvested, all
<b>Race</b>		Sell directly to consumers	29
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	<b>14</b>	Barley for grain
Asian	-		(D)
Black or African American	-	Hire farm labor	<b>29</b>
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	<b>29</b>	
White	498		<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)</b>
More than one race	-	Are family farms	Broilers and other meat-type chickens
<b>Other characteristics</b>		<b>94</b>	170
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	-		Cattle and calves
With military service	88		3,099
New and beginning farmers	154		Goats
			294
			Hogs and pigs
			154
			Horses and ponies
			774
			Layers
			1,585
			Pullets
			124
			Sheep and lambs
			243
			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 counties 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.