



# Rowan County North Carolina

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

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	925	-9
Land in farms (acres)	118,914	-2
Average size of farm (acres)	129	+7
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	81,781,000	-3
Government payments	1,162,000	+154
Farm-related income	6,364,000	+131
Total farm production expenses	69,875,000	-5
Net cash farm income	19,433,000	+42
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	88,412	+6
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	8,802	+144
Farm-related income	22,022	+128
Total farm production expenses	75,540	+4
Net cash farm income	21,008	+55

**1** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	59
Livestock, poultry, and products	41

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

Cropland	57
Pastureland	20
Woodland	19
Other	4

**Acres irrigated: 811**

1% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	22
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	7
Cover crop	11

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	356	38
\$2,500 to \$4,999	116	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	136	15
\$10,000 to \$24,999	134	14
\$25,000 to \$49,999	60	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	52	6
\$100,000 or more	71	8

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	85	9
10 to 49 acres	388	42
50 to 179 acres	290	31
180 to 499 acres	113	12
500 to 999 acres	34	4
1,000 + acres	15	2

**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>81,781</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1,340</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>48,073</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1,113</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	18,820	24	99	1,171	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	62	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	39	52	(D)	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	10,758	15	100	212	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	9	98	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	29	38	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	2,139	26	98	1,143	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>33,708</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	17,446	50	98	449	3,007
Cattle and calves	6,944	14	100	1,487	3,055
Milk from cows	5,124	7	49	592	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	41	95	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	4	95	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	509	12	92	420	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	54	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	2,878

<b>Total Producers <sup>c</sup></b>	<b>1,482</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	Soybeans for beans 22,591
Male	1,006		74
Female	476		Forage (hay/haylage), all 18,481
<b>Age</b>		Farm organically	-
<35	135		11
35 – 64	843		16
65 and older	504		97
<b>Race</b>		Sell directly to consumers	11
American Indian/Alaska Native	-		16
Asian	2		16
Black or African American	15		97
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		97
White	1,454	Hire farm labor	16
More than one race	11		97
<b>Other characteristics</b>		Are family farms	97
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	11		97
With military service	176		97
New and beginning farmers	429		97
			<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)</b>
			Broilers and other meat-type chickens 687,522
			Cattle and calves 20,704
			Goats 1,726
			Hogs and pigs (D)
			Horses and ponies 1,270
			Layers 57,503
			Pullets (D)
			Sheep and lambs 1,581
			Turkeys 76

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.