



Sampson County North Carolina

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	960	-10
Land in farms (acres)	301,248	+3
Average size of farm (acres)	314	+15
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	1,249,140,000	-1
Government payments	2,424,000	-28
Farm-related income	10,192,000	+82
Total farm production expenses	901,673,000	-4
Net cash farm income	360,084,000	+10
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	1,301,187	+10
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	7,770	+32
Farm-related income	20,223	+87
Total farm production expenses	939,242	+7
Net cash farm income	375,087	+22

10 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	16
Livestock, poultry, and products	84

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	70
Pastureland	4
Woodland	19
Other	7

Acres irrigated: 17,886

6% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	22
Reduced till	11
Intensive till	32
Cover crop	16

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	190	20
\$2,500 to \$4,999	37	4
\$5,000 to \$9,999	81	8
\$10,000 to \$24,999	94	10
\$25,000 to \$49,999	37	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	43	4
\$100,000 or more	478	50

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	69	7
10 to 49 acres	250	26
50 to 179 acres	331	34
180 to 499 acres	163	17
500 to 999 acres	79	8
1,000 + acres	68	7

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	1,249,140	2	100	20	3,077
Crops	203,510	1	100	123	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	49,084	4	99	773	2,916
Tobacco	41,455	4	62	4	323
Cotton and cottonseed	6,796	12	52	232	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	83,812	1	100	41	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	9,205	4	98	150	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	6,935	24	98	319	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	38	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	6,225	9	98	405	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	1,045,630	2	100	13	3,073
Poultry and eggs	397,851	2	98	13	3,007
Cattle and calves	(D)	10	100	(D)	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	9	49	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	633,681	2	95	2	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	101	19	95	1,288	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	254	25	92	820	2,970
Aquaculture	278	23	54	194	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	6	97	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c

1,506

Sex

Male	1,089
Female	417

Age

<35	112
35 – 64	889
65 and older	505

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native	11
Asian	-
Black or African American	82
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	1,413
More than one race	-

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	27
With military service	151
New and beginning farmers	359

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **78**

Farm organically **2**

Sell directly to consumers **4**

Hire farm labor **49**

Are family farms **93**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Soybeans for beans	67,379
Corn for grain	36,268
Vegetables harvested, all	22,453
Forage (hay/haylage), all	18,410
Wheat for grain, all	14,056

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	5,969,281
Cattle and calves	21,430
Goats	939
Hogs and pigs	1,884,585
Horses and ponies	820
Layers	313,787
Pullets	318,338
Sheep and lambs	216
Turkeys	4,594,777

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.