



# Northumberland County Virginia

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

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	134	+37
Land in farms (acres)	43,480	(Z)
Average size of farm (acres)	324	-27
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	20,052,000	-6
Government payments	1,423,000	+29
Farm-related income	909,000	-40
Total farm production expenses	15,427,000	-10
Net cash farm income	6,956,000	+2
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	149,642	-31
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	40,645	+117
Farm-related income	16,525	-62
Total farm production expenses	115,128	-34
Net cash farm income	51,914	-25

**1** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	86
Livestock, poultry, and products	14

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

Cropland	78
Pastureland	(D)
Woodland	12
Other	(D)

Acres irrigated: -

-% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	31
Reduced till	4
Intensive till	1
Cover crop	21

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	63	47
\$2,500 to \$4,999	3	2
\$5,000 to \$9,999	13	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	8	6
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11	8
\$100,000 or more	34	25

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	29	22
10 to 49 acres	49	37
50 to 179 acres	20	15
180 to 499 acres	11	8
500 to 999 acres	9	7
1,000 + acres	16	12

**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>20,052</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>2,373</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>17,212</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>1,741</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	17,022	7	96	1,208	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	25	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	11	11	526	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	85	97	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	-	-	93	-	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	58	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	121	83	97	2,665	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>2,840</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>2,642</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	97	86	97	2,685	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	59	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	-	-	89	-	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	57	46	94	1,660	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	(D)	94	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	2,664	6	49	95	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	68	93	(D)	2,878

**Total Producers <sup>c</sup>**

<b>Sex</b>	<b>212</b>
Male	133
Female	79

<b>Age</b>	
<35	17
35 – 64	122
65 and older	73

<b>Race</b>	
American Indian/Alaska Native	1
Asian	-
Black or African American	9
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	202
More than one race	-

<b>Other characteristics</b>	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	-
With military service	33
New and beginning farmers	125

**Percent of farms that:**

Have internet access **65**

Farm organically **-**

Sell directly to consumers **12**

Hire farm labor **27**

Are family farms **92**

**Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup>**

Soybeans for beans	15,211
Corn for grain	13,185
Wheat for grain, all	6,742
Forage (hay/haylage), all	943
Canola	(D)

**Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)**

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	505
Cattle and calves	336
Goats	253
Hogs and pigs	(D)
Horses and ponies	191
Layers	849
Pullets	-
Sheep and lambs	638
Turkeys	21

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.