

**Table 57. New and Beginning Producers: 2022**

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| Geographic area      | Farms  | New and beginning producers | Land in farms (acres) |
|----------------------|--------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>State Total</b>   |        |                             |                       |
| North Carolina ..... | 14,835 | 22,940                      | 1,724,469             |
| <b>Counties</b>      |        |                             |                       |
| Alamance .....       | 288    | 426                         | 18,026                |
| Alexander .....      | 142    | 221                         | 9,292                 |
| Alleghany .....      | 129    | 209                         | 17,927                |
| Anson .....          | 155    | 244                         | 25,725                |
| Ashe .....           | 188    | 259                         | 16,855                |
| Avery .....          | 83     | 111                         | 2,750                 |
| Beaufort .....       | 94     | 146                         | 18,798                |
| Bertie .....         | 101    | 127                         | 41,402                |
| Bladen .....         | 152    | 221                         | 15,781                |
| Brunswick .....      | 110    | 186                         | 10,347                |
| Buncombe .....       | 418    | 635                         | 30,172                |
| Burke .....          | 203    | 304                         | 18,285                |
| Cabarrus .....       | 226    | 346                         | 11,413                |
| Caldwell .....       | 166    | 243                         | 9,873                 |
| Camden .....         | 35     | 49                          | 22,126                |
| Carteret .....       | 36     | 59                          | 1,861                 |
| Caswell .....        | 154    | 234                         | 15,660                |
| Catawba .....        | 183    | 279                         | 11,269                |
| Chatham .....        | 398    | 649                         | 28,990                |
| Cherokee .....       | 73     | 122                         | 8,411                 |
| Chowan .....         | 41     | 72                          | 11,746                |
| Clay .....           | 43     | 57                          | 4,170                 |
| Cleveland .....      | 284    | 449                         | 24,606                |
| Columbus .....       | 131    | 195                         | 19,024                |
| Craven .....         | 127    | 215                         | 37,208                |
| Cumberland .....     | 123    | 165                         | 14,206                |
| Currituck .....      | 25     | 48                          | (D)                   |
| Dare .....           | 14     | 34                          | (D)                   |
| Davidson .....       | 249    | 390                         | 19,541                |
| Davie .....          | 158    | 272                         | 19,435                |
| Duplin .....         | 307    | 432                         | 61,295                |
| Durham .....         | 110    | 202                         | 9,055                 |
| Edgecombe .....      | 89     | 134                         | 22,489                |
| Forsyth .....        | 161    | 249                         | 8,780                 |
| Franklin .....       | 179    | 288                         | 30,664                |
| Gaston .....         | 141    | 235                         | 8,935                 |
| Gates .....          | 51     | 77                          | 8,121                 |
| Graham .....         | 25     | 41                          | 441                   |
| Granville .....      | 181    | 239                         | 30,485                |
| Greene .....         | 41     | 59                          | 12,889                |
| Guilford .....       | 260    | 462                         | 35,178                |
| Halifax .....        | 42     | 57                          | 23,275                |
| Harnett .....        | 190    | 292                         | 17,226                |
| Haywood .....        | 210    | 344                         | 13,068                |
| Henderson .....      | 273    | 450                         | 9,456                 |
| Hertford .....       | 36     | 67                          | 9,046                 |
| Hoke .....           | 76     | 126                         | 5,252                 |
| Hyde .....           | 46     | 80                          | 19,623                |
| Iredell .....        | 286    | 448                         | 19,750                |
| Jackson .....        | 58     | 77                          | 2,438                 |
| Johnston .....       | 323    | 500                         | 34,717                |
| Jones .....          | 33     | 49                          | 10,809                |
| Lee .....            | 87     | 133                         | 7,383                 |
| Lenoir .....         | 119    | 173                         | 25,965                |
| Lincoln .....        | 179    | 255                         | 11,045                |
| McDowell .....       | 114    | 173                         | 6,709                 |
| Macon .....          | 159    | 241                         | 9,040                 |
| Madison .....        | 164    | 263                         | 9,657                 |
| Martin .....         | 110    | 184                         | 34,060                |
| Mecklenburg .....    | 66     | 97                          | 2,650                 |
| Mitchell .....       | 96     | 167                         | 3,876                 |
| Montgomery .....     | 65     | 79                          | 6,030                 |
| Moore .....          | 294    | 447                         | 39,101                |
| Nash .....           | 164    | 248                         | 33,699                |
| New Hanover .....    | 36     | 63                          | 1,085                 |
| Northampton .....    | 84     | 121                         | 27,336                |
| Onslow .....         | 137    | 205                         | 6,821                 |
| Orange .....         | 291    | 474                         | 12,636                |
| Pamlico .....        | 27     | 36                          | 8,566                 |
| Pasquotank .....     | 53     | 70                          | 20,056                |
| Pender .....         | 205    | 302                         | 22,572                |
| Perquimans .....     | 34     | 50                          | 6,686                 |
| Person .....         | 147    | 204                         | 27,610                |
| Pitt .....           | 122    | 187                         | 22,497                |
| Polk .....           | 81     | 124                         | 5,678                 |
| Randolph .....       | 416    | 663                         | 29,501                |
| Richmond .....       | 107    | 161                         | 17,066                |
| Robeson .....        | 243    | 382                         | 38,190                |
| Rockingham .....     | 265    | 404                         | 34,187                |
| Rowan .....          | 264    | 419                         | 24,941                |
| Rutherford .....     | 254    | 380                         | 20,482                |
| Sampson .....        | 271    | 426                         | 56,761                |
| Scotland .....       | 57     | 96                          | 5,680                 |
| Stanly .....         | 255    | 399                         | 24,873                |
| Stokes .....         | 252    | 403                         | 20,842                |
| Surry .....          | 270    | 405                         | 18,311                |
| Swain .....          | 25     | 49                          | 1,297                 |

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| <b>Counties - Con.</b> |       |                             |                       |
| Transylvania .....     | 42    | 63                          | 2,777                 |
| Tyrrell .....          | 28    | 50                          | 9,217                 |
| Union .....            | 275   | 410                         | 35,839                |
| Vance .....            | 57    | 88                          | 6,482                 |
| Wake .....             | 268   | 453                         | 23,990                |
| Warren .....           | 77    | 118                         | 11,612                |
| Washington .....       | 27    | 39                          | 6,142                 |
| Watauga .....          | 115   | 164                         | 7,822                 |
| Wayne .....            | 117   | 174                         | 33,897                |
| Wilkes .....           | 273   | 394                         | 26,000                |
| Wilson .....           | 75    | 116                         | 17,790                |
| Yadkin .....           | 209   | 332                         | 12,425                |
| Yancey .....           | 112   | 181                         | 5,989                 |