



Ashe County North Carolina

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	760	-12
Land in farms (acres)	84,498	-23
Average size of farm (acres)	111	-13
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	73,446,000	+29
Government payments	452,000	+497
Farm-related income	9,286,000	+235
Total farm production expenses	66,928,000	+30
Net cash farm income	16,256,000	+94
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	96,640	+46
Government payments ^a	19,670	+315
Farm-related income ^a	46,662	+329
Total farm production expenses	88,063	+47
Net cash farm income	21,390	+121

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	90
Livestock, poultry, and products	10

Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	31,917
Pastureland	19,376
Woodland	26,790
Other	6,415

Acres irrigated: 317

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	12
Reduced till	3
Intensive till	4
Cover crop	7

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
Less than \$2,500	284	37
\$2,500 to \$4,999	60	8
\$5,000 to \$9,999	113	15
\$10,000 to \$24,999	120	16
\$25,000 to \$49,999	66	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	37	5
\$100,000 or more	80	11

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
1 to 9 acres	81	11
10 to 49 acres	278	37
50 to 179 acres	291	38
180 to 499 acres	83	11
500 to 999 acres	19	3
1,000+ acres	8	1

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^c	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^c	Counties Producing Item
Total	73,446	53	100	1,656	3,078
Crops	65,768	27	100	1,122	3,074
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	613	84	99	2,247	2,917
Tobacco	43	50	56	193	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	52	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	3,980	31	100	462	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	275	62	95	1,155	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	3,632	38	97	549	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	55,849	1	36	2	1,274
Other crops and hay	1,376	46	97	1,784	3,035
Livestock, poultry, and products	7,678	72	100	2,271	3,076
Poultry and eggs	87	75	100	1,411	3,027
Cattle and calves	7,039	14	99	1,491	3,047
Milk from cows	285	27	48	877	1,770
Hogs and pigs	(D)	83	95	(D)	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	94	24	95	1,475	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	51	42	87	1,844	2,907
Aquaculture	(D)	46	53	(D)	1,190
Other animals and animal products	117	17	96	915	2,909

Producers ^d	1,290	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^e
Sex		Have internet access	78
Male	861		
Female	429		
Age		Farm organically	1
<35	86		
35 – 64	697		
65 and older	507		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	8
American Indian/Alaska Native	2		
Asian	-		
Black or African American	10		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		
White	1,268	Hire farm labor	23
More than one race	10		
Other characteristics		Are family farms	96
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	32		
With military service	102		
New and beginning farmers	259		
		Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)	
		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,700
		Cattle and calves	9,152
		Goats	653
		Hogs and pigs	107
		Horses and ponies	423
		Layers	1,948
		Pullets	621
		Sheep and lambs	435
		Turkeys	119

^a Average per farm receiving. ^b May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^c Among counties whose rank can be displayed. ^d Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. ^e Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^f 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.