

## Appendix B. American Indian Farm Operators

During the 1992 and previous censuses, American Indian farm operations on reservations were enumerated at the reservation level, generally as a single unit. In the 1997 census, the historic methodology was used in conjunction with an additional procedure to count American Indian farm operators on reservations who were not counted individually.

Table A, American Indian Farm Operators: 1997, reflects the results of the methodological changes to enumerate American Indian farm and ranch operators. The table provides the total number of American Indian farm operators both on and off reservations. The "other" column provides counts of operators on reservations. The "individually reported" column provides counts of operators on or off reservations. This is the only table in the Volume 1, Geographic Area Series publication where

information for total number of American Indian farm operators is available. Other than the count of operators, information for American Indian farm operators who did not report individually was collected at or aggregated to the reservation level. Consequently, other published data treat each reservation as a single farm operation. State level data are provided in Table B, State Highlights of Farms Operated by American Indians: 1997. American Indian agricultural resources and production not reported by individuals are included in their respective reservation reports.

The term American Indian was used on the report form that collected the counts of on-reservation operators as well as the 1997 Census of Agriculture report form. The term American Indian represents persons who also would identify themselves as Native American or Alaskan Native.

**Table A. American Indian Farm Operators: 1997**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Geographic area	American Indian farm operators		
	Total	Individually reported	Other <sup>1</sup>
<b>STATE TOTAL</b>			
North Carolina .....	513	513	—
<b>COUNTIES, 1997</b>			
Buncombe .....	3	3	—
Cherokee .....	8	8	—
Columbus .....	29	29	—
Cumberland .....	7	7	—
Halifax .....	8	8	—
Hoke .....	10	10	—
Jackson .....	4	4	—
Lincoln .....	5	5	—
Macon .....	3	3	—
Madison .....	5	5	—
Nash .....	3	3	—
Robeson .....	352	352	—
Rockingham .....	3	3	—
Sampson .....	11	11	—
Scotland .....	8	8	—
Swain .....	11	11	—
Union .....	3	3	—
Warren .....	5	5	—
All other counties.....	35	35	—

<sup>1</sup>Data represent American Indian farm and ranch operators on reservations that did not report individually. Data obtained from reservation officials.

**Table B. State Highlights of Farms Operated by American Indians: 1997**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	Farms operated by American Indians	State total of all farms	Percent of State total of all farms
American Indian farm operators <sup>1</sup> .....	513	(X)	(X)
Land in farms .....	85 013	9 122 379	.9
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>2</sup> .....	\$1,000.. 144 213	18 565 852	.8
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>2</sup> .....	\$1,000.. 24 077	2 425 402	1.0
Total cropland .....	62 612	5 608 388	1.1
Harvested cropland .....	56 749	4 233 693	1.3
Cropland used only for pasture or grazing .....	2 770	882 844	.3
Other cropland .....	3 093	491 851	.6
Total woodland .....	16 626	2 639 726	.6
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured .....	2 233	384 903	.6
Irrigated land .....	337	156 250	.2
Harvested cropland .....	337	146 035	.2
Pastureland and other land .....	-	10 215	-
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	\$1,000.. 50 265	7 676 523	.7
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	\$1,000.. 24 772	2 595 213	1.0
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	\$1,000.. 25 492	5 081 310	.5
Total farm production expenses <sup>2</sup> .....	\$1,000.. 34 259	5 673 379	.6
Cattle and calves inventory .....	number.. 3 358	941 311	.4
Beef cows .....	number.. 1 715	435 672	.4
Milk cows .....	number.. 48	78 400	.1
Heifers and heifer calves .....	number.. 943	225 756	.4
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves .....	number.. 652	201 483	.3
Cattle and calves sold .....	number.. 1 360	443 147	.3
Cattle, including calves weighing 500 pounds or more .....	number.. 554	226 619	.2
Cattle fattened on grain and concentrates for slaughter .....	number.. 8	16 765	(Z)
Cattle weighing less than 500 pounds .....	number.. 806	216 528	.4
Sheep and lambs inventory .....	number.. 50	13 827	.4
Ewes 1 year old or older .....	number.. 24	8 296	.3
Sheep and lambs shorn .....	number.. 24	9 222	.3
Sheep and lambs sold .....	number.. 28	9 094	.3
Horses and ponies inventory .....	number.. 281	41 177	.7
Horses and ponies sold .....	number.. 21	5 449	.4
Crops harvested:			
Corn for grain or seed .....	acres.. 11 914	821 039	1.5
Wheat for grain .....	acres.. 12 970	616 397	2.1
Oats for grain .....	acres.. 470	21 870	2.1
Hay - alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	acres.. 3 224	602 755	.5

<sup>1</sup> Includes operators on and off reservations.  
<sup>2</sup> Data are based on a sample of farms.