

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
North Carolina Agricultural Statistics Service



JONES NORTH CAROLINA

Land in farms

Increased 5 percent from 68,577 acres in 1992 to 71,769 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 32 percent from 352 acres in 1992 to 466 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 18 percent from 131 farms in 1992 to 108 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

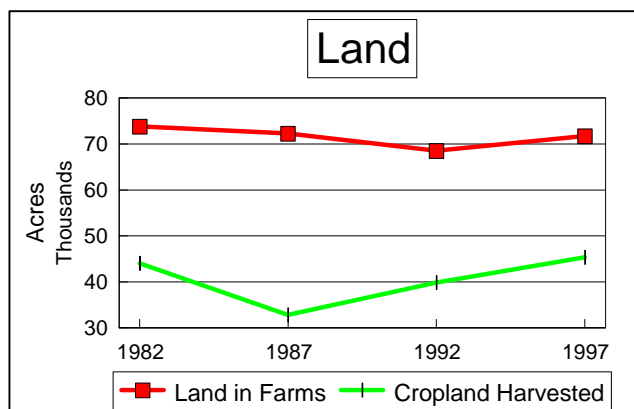
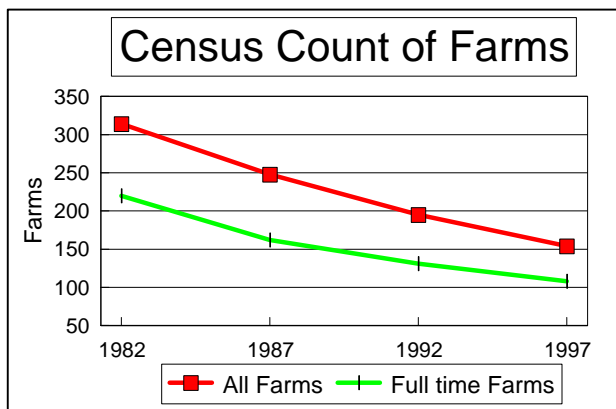
Increased 271 percent to \$107,629,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 24 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 76 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 370 percent from \$148,718 in 1992 to \$698,891 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	107,629	21	100	447	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	81,576	20	100	265	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	26,053	35	100	1,058	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Hogs and pigs	78,829	9	95	20	2,976
Tobacco	12,733	34	86	75	580
Cotton, cottonseed	7,911	14	60	177	709
Corn for grain	2,342	29	97	1,064	2,582
Soybeans	1,870	34	88	1,004	2,136
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	1,040,154	10	95	13	2,976
Turkeys sold	97,500	28	46	267	1,353
Cattle and calves sold	(D)	43	99	2,367	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	57	83	2,442	2,765
All goats sold	(D)	80	94	2,133	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Hogs and pigs inventory	252,715	11	97	35	3,005
All turkeys inventory	35,501	28	74	248	2,361
Cattle and calves inventory	2,371	71	99	2,798	3,064
All goat inventory	(D)	81	98	2,063	2,983
Horse and pony inventory	61	89	100	2,954	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Cotton-acres	18,696	14	60	187	713
Soybeans for beans-acres	10,828	33	88	971	2,144
Corn for grain-acres	10,508	31	100	1,070	2,691
Wheat-acres	4,738	37	86	1,088	2,612
Tobacco-acres	3,653	32	86	75	583

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	41	59	-31
\$10,000 or more	113	136	-17
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	73,863	22,466	229
Average per farmdollars..	482,764	115,211	319
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	32,897	6,799	384
Average per farmdollars..	215,010	34,867	517
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	110	157	-30
Partnership or corporation	43	37	16
Other	1	1	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	108	131	-18
Other	46	64	-28
Operators by sex:			
Male	150	188	-20
Female	4	7	-43
Operators by race:			
White	148	177	-16
Black and other races	6	18	-67
Average age of operator	51.7	52.8	-2

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

* Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.