

**Table 1. County Summary Highlights: 1997**

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

Item	North Carolina	Alamance	Alexander	Alleghany	Anson	Ashe	Avery
Farms .....	49 406	731	565	545	442	1 043	429
Land in farms .....	9 122 379	107 801	59 826	85 964	81 984	104 922	27 037
Average size of farm .....	185	147	106	158	185	101	63
Median size of farm .....	69	76	60	71	101	50	35
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :							
Average per farm .....	375 895	339 851	218 443	356 936	340 812	238 020	201 317
Average per acre .....	2 081	2 402	2 322	2 035	1 791	2 213	3 568
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :							
Average per farm .....	49 106	41 635	25 904	34 042	40 825	27 500	29 327
Farms by size:							
1 to 9 acres .....	3 968	46	50	38	16	120	78
10 to 49 acres .....	15 601	205	187	171	99	388	175
50 to 179 acres .....	18 259	297	247	189	192	392	149
180 to 499 acres .....	7 506	150	65	108	98	112	24
500 to 999 acres .....	2 461	25	12	32	26	23	1
1,000 acres or more .....	1 611	8	4	7	11	8	2
Total cropland .....	44 502	659	486	510	310	979	417
Harvested cropland .....	5 608 388	59 375	34 730	41 506	35 472	46 699	14 377
Irrigated land .....	4 695	107	8	20	16	39	47
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	7 676 523	34 603	46 791	25 340	98 554	22 160	16 907
Average per farm .....	155 376	47 337	82 817	46 496	222 973	21 246	39 411
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	2 595 213	13 056	4 642	11 097	5 098	16 593	16 592
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	5 081 310	21 548	42 149	14 244	93 456	5 567	315
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$2,500 .....	13 653	228	165	131	142	289	103
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	6 642	126	83	88	48	180	66
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	6 261	99	69	105	43	223	59
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	6 470	92	53	106	44	209	89
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	3 470	41	43	36	21	92	42
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	2 764	52	39	27	10	22	31
\$100,000 or more .....	10 146	93	113	52	134	28	39
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	5 673 379	23 534	34 225	16 077	75 734	13 651	8 051
Average per farm .....	114 885	32 238	60 575	29 445	172 909	13 088	18 679
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> .....	49 391	730	565	546	441	1 043	431
Average per farm .....	1 601 413	6 617	4 127	6 232	18 781	7 915	6 520
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming .....	24 355	333	274	229	221	425	181
Other .....	25 051	398	291	316	221	618	248
Operators by days worked off farm:							
Any .....	25 856	437	311	307	210	611	264
200 days or more .....	18 028	311	221	228	145	419	179
Livestock and poultry:							
Cattle and calves inventory .....	22 632	456	399	352	204	579	80
Beef cows .....	941 311	22 969	20 408	24 473	10 491	19 081	1 490
Milk cows .....	19 616	390	348	271	188	448	62
Cattle and calves sold .....	435 672	9 778	8 573	9 366	5 651	8 313	(D)
Hogs and pigs inventory .....	1 092	34	33	42	6	20	2
Hogs and pigs sold .....	78 400	2 986	3 252	4 046	167	264	(D)
Sheep and lambs inventory .....	21 286	444	381	344	195	568	71
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	443 147	9 976	6 692	10 789	4 612	10 960	731
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	2 986	18	4	3	16	14	4
Sheep and lambs sold .....	9 624 860	1 614	(D)	18	55 450	281	26
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	2 666	9	3	2	15	6	1
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	36 431 039	2 168	(D)	(D)	402 198	460	(D)
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	613	8	4	16	—	19	2
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	13 827	51	47	770	—	892	(D)
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	1 726	50	91	7	9	24	4
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	16 162 563	(D)	1 165 625	(D)	120 501	380	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	2 086	10	42	2	50	—	—
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	591 248 423	1 918 000	11 373 400	(D)	16 794 537	—	—
Selected crops harvested:							
Corn for grain or seed .....	8 862	89	39	3	47	2	1
Wheat for grain .....	821 039	3 357	894	207	5 824	(D)	(D)
Cotton .....	74 423 999	242 273	71 525	17 220	543 777	(D)	(D)
Tobacco .....	5 949	68	12	3	39	1	—
Soybeans for beans .....	616 397	2 645	681	(D)	3 975	(D)	—
Peanuts for nuts .....	30 357 728	123 784	36 470	(D)	191 229	(D)	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	2 320	2	—	1	4	—	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	677 541	(D)	—	(D)	442	—	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	916 278	(D)	—	(D)	607	—	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	12 095	124	38	130	5	331	52
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	320 599	3 137	759	512	145	871	138
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	703 559 462	6 580 486	1 630 503	749 460	309 934	1 199 585	252 182
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	9 933	63	15	—	53	—	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	1 280 412	2 910	1 024	—	7 656	—	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	35 785 336	68 109	24 188	—	189 538	—	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	1 765	—	—	—	1	1	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	122 784	—	—	—	(D)	(D)	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	325 662 397	—	—	—	(D)	(D)	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	19 761	422	353	332	142	510	68
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	602 755	14 682	11 791	10 954	4 564	9 314	1 213
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	1 218 338	24 801	26 063	19 945	10 845	18 505	1 566

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Item	Beaufort	Bertie	Bladen	Brunswick	Buncombe	Burke	Cabarrus
Farms ..... number..	385	371	553	213	1 009	354	481
Land in farms ..... acres..	155 460	154 338	128 231	36 770	87 382	29 373	63 102
Average size of farm ..... acres..	404	416	232	173	87	83	131
Median size of farm ..... acres..	126	126	96	60	36	40	72
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :							
Average per farm ..... dollars..	577 181	468 132	345 618	453 751	322 623	254 996	464 123
Average per acre ..... dollars..	1 430	1 216	1 586	2 449	3 603	3 337	3 520
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :							
Average per farm ..... dollars..	102 985	100 496	56 232	34 853	23 271	35 719	21 637
Farms by size:							
1 to 9 acres .....	18	31	46	27	162	43	23
10 to 49 acres .....	87	65	146	68	436	154	141
50 to 179 acres .....	119	112	190	67	301	116	225
180 to 499 acres .....	71	89	97	36	87	35	71
500 to 999 acres .....	41	33	50	6	17	5	15
1,000 acres or more .....	49	41	24	9	6	1	6
Total cropland ..... farms..	364	331	504	202	917	328	443
Harvested cropland ..... acres..	136 349	97 316	74 768	23 749	36 102	14 222	40 203
Irrigated land ..... farms..	22	24	47	27	73	28	19
..... acres..	1 508	9 082	2 893	1 013	672	650	227
Market value of agricultural products sold ..... \$1,000..	81 695	110 924	238 728	30 306	34 413	28 242	20 860
Average per farm ..... dollars..	212 196	298 986	431 696	142 283	34 106	79 779	43 368
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops ..... \$1,000..	55 711	66 386	36 272	12 697	25 111	9 629	5 167
Livestock, poultry, and their products ..... \$1,000..	25 984	44 537	202 456	17 609	9 303	18 613	15 693
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$2,500 .....	60	29	119	64	398	134	176
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	29	13	50	16	247	61	93
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	28	33	60	33	159	50	75
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	37	47	62	31	115	38	73
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	40	34	45	18	41	12	24
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	44	49	44	11	15	17	11
\$100,000 or more .....	147	166	173	40	34	42	29
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> ..... \$1,000..	57 172	72 137	185 545	22 532	30 898	18 678	17 011
Average per farm ..... dollars..	148 114	194 964	335 524	104 802	30 562	52 614	35 366
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	386	370	553	215	1 011	355	481
..... \$1,000..	20 087	30 022	49 506	5 363	4 506	6 322	3 318
Average per farm ..... dollars..	52 038	81 141	89 523	24 944	4 457	17 808	6 898
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming .....	257	262	302	113	400	126	184
Other .....	128	109	251	100	609	228	297
Operators by days worked off farm:							
Any .....	164	143	251	113	591	205	281
200 days or more .....	100	97	170	81	436	144	212
Livestock and poultry:							
Cattle and calves inventory ..... farms..	35	37	121	54	621	194	315
..... number..	920	1 537	5 253	1 868	18 528	5 928	13 983
Beef cows ..... farms..	31	29	102	46	529	173	287
..... number..	495	845	2 675	1 027	8 165	3 199	7 643
Milk cows ..... farms..	—	—	4	4	31	8	9
..... number..	—	—	139	12	2 434	332	318
Cattle and calves sold ..... farms..	31	34	110	40	571	161	300
..... number..	382	615	2 401	974	8 080	4 723	6 244
Hogs and pigs inventory ..... farms..	45	39	105	42	14	7	15
..... number..	101 729	45 351	758 701	77 191	126	(D)	5 618
Hogs and pigs sold ..... farms..	41	39	104	34	10	4	13
..... number..	358 703	121 355	3 585 511	256 661	339	(D)	(D)
Sheep and lambs inventory ..... farms..	5	1	1	1	25	3	13
..... number..	35	(D)	(D)	(D)	774	8	379
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) ..... farms..	10	2	9	13	41	9	22
..... number..	(D)	(D)	34 211	(D)	1 173	76 547	91 427
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold ..... farms..	1	64	7	2	1	23	4
..... number..	(D)	18 372 040	4 590 000	(D)	(D)	4 850 598	(D)
Selected crops harvested:							
Corn for grain or seed ..... farms..	232	222	246	80	33	37	55
..... acres..	48 353	21 279	20 770	5 462	538	1 223	3 155
Wheat for grain ..... bushels..	4 890 866	1 635 759	1 784 257	464 907	40 140	93 444	249 094
..... farms..	182	26	52	31	—	6	41
..... acres..	45 878	2 581	4 084	2 423	—	65	3 010
Cotton ..... bushels..	2 273 821	138 119	163 965	105 879	—	3 200	147 550
..... farms..	15	116	26	2	—	—	1
..... acres..	4 602	34 319	8 151	(D)	—	—	(D)
Tobacco ..... bales..	6 459	46 176	10 843	(D)	—	—	(D)
..... farms..	110	170	145	41	356	4	—
..... acres..	4 681	4 162	3 965	1 920	1 182	11	—
Soybeans for beans ..... pounds..	10 875 405	9 125 492	9 042 051	4 401 922	1 780 140	14 047	—
..... farms..	257	173	193	80	—	7	54
..... acres..	68 166	10 677	14 765	8 347	—	120	6 483
Peanuts for nuts ..... bushels..	2 126 051	315 730	366 493	200 545	—	1 990	155 343
..... farms..	11	242	88	2	—	1	2
..... acres..	436	16 738	2 468	(D)	—	(D)	(D)
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) ..... pounds..	1 189 593	46 104 412	6 809 959	(D)	—	(D)	(D)
..... farms..	17	12	125	38	541	201	302
..... acres..	467	170	6 847	1 287	11 423	4 428	11 626
..... tons, dry..	772	267	15 525	3 164	20 732	7 915	20 952

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Item	Caldwell	Camden	Carteret	Caswell	Catawba	Chatham	Cherokee
Farms ..... number..	331	76	101	564	596	956	243
Land in farms ..... acres..	37 050	51 685	59 869	137 873	72 264	112 923	24 533
Average size of farm ..... acres..	112	680	593	244	121	118	101
Median size of farm ..... acres..	57	197	50	128	64	67	48
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :							
Average per farm ..... dollars..	236 122	1 053 186	980 308	370 540	335 757	293 475	241 072
Average per acre ..... dollars..	2 216	1 549	1 646	1 542	2 809	2 248	2 687
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :							
Average per farm ..... dollars..	30 614	173 008	62 189	40 329	31 630	30 205	27 017
Farms by size:							
1 to 9 acres .....	29	5	16	30	38	56	17
10 to 49 acres .....	113	16	32	109	204	317	106
50 to 179 acres .....	133	16	30	208	250	399	89
180 to 499 acres .....	44	9	15	139	82	160	22
500 to 999 acres .....	10	10	3	56	17	21	7
1,000 acres or more .....	2	20	5	22	5	3	2
Total cropland ..... farms..	301	72	91	543	547	769	221
Harvested cropland ..... acres..	17 774	48 489	46 280	54 110	47 827	53 567	9 951
Irrigated land ..... farms..	19	3	20	156	30	58	13
..... acres..	352	(D)	294	3 154	584	724	181
Market value of agricultural products sold ..... \$1,000..	23 712	19 747	18 958	28 385	24 396	120 705	12 611
Average per farm ..... dollars..	71 638	259 827	187 703	50 327	40 933	126 261	51 899
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops ..... \$1,000..	13 773	18 506	18 209	21 894	6 606	4 610	1 430
Livestock, poultry, and their products ..... \$1,000..	9 939	1 241	749	6 491	17 790	116 096	11 181
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$2,500 .....	142	16	25	121	228	242	104
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	47	3	12	60	118	163	55
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	50	6	8	77	98	151	39
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	24	8	14	118	64	116	21
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	16	7	7	57	28	58	10
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	14	4	7	57	18	35	4
\$100,000 or more .....	38	32	28	74	42	191	10
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> ..... \$1,000..	12 639	14 455	15 219	19 544	16 179	90 511	10 135
Average per farm ..... dollars..	38 301	190 199	150 682	34 653	27 145	94 479	41 882
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	330	76	101	564	596	958	242
..... \$1,000..	8 048	5 292	2 845	6 388	3 946	18 198	1 021
Average per farm ..... dollars..	24 387	69 628	28 171	11 326	6 621	18 996	4 219
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming .....	115	53	59	289	237	421	101
Other .....	216	23	42	275	359	535	142
Operators by days worked off farm:							
Any .....	196	22	50	308	350	530	133
200 days or more .....	153	12	26	189	245	406	92
Livestock and poultry:							
Cattle and calves inventory ..... farms..	197	14	13	279	389	666	161
..... number..	6 918	(D)	392	12 428	18 661	34 967	5 017
Beef cows ..... farms..	178	13	11	230	351	590	138
..... number..	3 100	154	130	5 349	9 170	17 439	2 432
Milk cows ..... farms..	15	—	1	9	18	27	9
..... number..	1 182	—	(D)	349	1 127	2 097	390
Cattle and calves sold ..... farms..	172	14	10	260	371	649	148
..... number..	2 560	115	332	8 328	7 369	17 721	2 292
Hogs and pigs inventory ..... farms..	9	6	6	17	14	25	5
..... number..	4 552	4 569	2 043	2 365	727	7 632	330
Hogs and pigs sold..... farms..	5	6	5	8	8	24	3
..... number..	5 836	(D)	6 121	4 507	998	17 920	272
Sheep and lambs inventory ..... farms..	5	3	—	4	8	10	1
..... number..	55	68	—	74	83	355	(D)
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) ..... farms..	21	2	6	13	19	50	13
..... number..	73 000	(D)	(D)	(D)	53 701	438 819	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold ..... farms..	11	—	—	1	15	142	—
..... number..	1 971 460	—	—	(D)	2 960 560	32 300 662	—
Selected crops harvested:							
Corn for grain or seed ..... farms..	42	47	28	73	48	37	29
..... acres..	1 251	17 204	19 822	1 231	1 697	1 190	618
..... bushels..	105 954	1 926 730	(D)	69 451	139 607	80 699	56 434
Wheat for grain ..... farms..	8	46	11	101	58	14	1
..... acres..	350	14 344	6 577	2 586	5 418	792	(D)
..... bushels..	17 040	814 853	225 318	99 955	277 237	33 320	(D)
Cotton ..... farms..	—	4	2	—	—	—	—
..... acres..	—	925	(D)	—	—	—	—
..... bales..	—	1 388	(D)	—	—	—	—
Tobacco ..... farms..	15	—	26	303	—	24	16
..... acres..	412	—	910	6 095	—	1 146	81
..... pounds..	847 863	—	2 040 127	12 621 318	—	1 428 891	107 516
Soybeans for beans ..... farms..	20	56	33	45	77	18	1
..... acres..	812	25 899	19 948	975	6 781	1 658	(D)
..... bushels..	19 853	914 097	666 848	23 714	138 797	32 131	(D)
Peanuts for nuts ..... farms..	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
..... acres..	—	—	—	—	(D)	—	—
..... pounds..	—	—	—	—	(D)	—	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) ..... farms..	186	2	12	275	374	471	119
..... acres..	5 358	(D)	193	11 487	12 430	15 443	3 050
..... tons, dry..	11 723	(D)	391	19 879	22 198	35 045	5 601

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Item	Chowan	Clay	Cleveland	Columbus	Craven	Cumberland	Curruck	Dare
Farms .....	151	166	864	884	277	433	86	9
Land in farms .....	51 341	18 288	104 029	169 945	83 850	103 182	39 571	4 961
Average size of farm .....	340	110	120	192	303	238	460	551
Median size of farm .....	130	60	72	80	97	75	92	21
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	519 454	309 316	328 211	275 070	355 701	461 356	835 550	555 033
Average per acre .....	1 611	3 377	2 667	1 508	1 302	2 205	1 816	1 007
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	118 746	28 799	25 116	53 430	83 805	66 126	103 312	75 877
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	9	12	31	81	19	39	12	3
10 to 49 acres .....	31	56	262	236	76	125	23	2
50 to 179 acres .....	48	72	411	322	82	157	18	—
180 to 499 acres .....	22	18	133	146	49	56	8	1
500 to 999 acres .....	25	7	23	71	28	37	10	—
1,000 acres or more .....	16	1	4	28	23	19	15	3
Total cropland .....	134	156	752	829	255	384	83	8
Harvested cropland .....	38 412	9 282	61 951	116 400	62 492	57 126	34 165	4 265
Irrigated land .....	129	136	529	771	220	320	75	7
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	34 002	4 678	33 687	139 913	66 933	67 684	14 964	836
Average per farm .....	225 181	28 181	38 990	158 273	241 636	156 313	174 005	92 923
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	26 069	675	9 095	67 218	35 405	22 231	13 934	(D)
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	7 933	4 003	24 592	72 695	31 529	45 453	1 030	(D)
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	15	60	392	162	51	113	22	2
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	11	38	132	103	13	60	5	—
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	18	22	129	98	37	62	9	1
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	16	23	103	137	41	56	6	1
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	18	12	30	92	22	35	9	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	8	2	19	85	13	25	4	1
\$100,000 or more .....	65	9	59	207	100	82	31	3
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	23 034	4 174	28 054	95 693	50 748	52 016	12 026	579
Average per farm .....	152 542	25 143	32 470	108 373	182 546	120 688	139 837	64 352
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> .....	151	166	864	883	278	431	86	9
Average per farm .....	9 774	346	1 450	37 078	15 411	16 227	2 938	257
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	108	75	295	437	169	186	54	6
Other .....	43	91	569	447	108	247	32	3
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....	57	75	542	466	118	242	27	2
200 days or more .....	40	56	401	317	68	184	19	2
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory .....	31	130	516	222	70	132	11	—
Beef cows .....	1 301	5 619	22 710	8 364	2 059	5 332	290	—
Milk cows .....	27	112	462	200	58	120	9	—
Cattle and calves sold .....	(D)	3 229	12 164	5 009	1 129	2 788	188	—
Hogs and pigs inventory .....	2	7	19	5	6	—	—	—
Hogs and pigs sold .....	(D)	296	761	23	21	—	—	—
Sheep and lambs inventory .....	30	121	495	203	65	118	10	—
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	521	2 689	10 507	3 606	1 568	2 431	113	—
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	14	3	10	69	41	45	6	—
Sheep and lambs sold .....	15 347	6	(D)	257 920	108 144	123 044	4 270	—
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	14	—	7	63	41	41	6	—
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	39 103	—	(D)	1 135 187	664 792	563 887	11 205	—
Sheep and lambs inventory .....	3	6	14	—	2	6	1	—
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	(D)	187	528	—	(D)	89	(D)	—
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	7	—	25	3	—	4	—	—
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	1 700 664	—	5 573 960	1 522 000	—	970	—	—
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain or seed .....	70	9	39	378	107	126	29	1
Wheat for grain .....	5 976	211	1 526	28 249	12 973	10 477	11 309	(D)
Cotton .....	522 722	(D)	106 596	2 703 465	1 139 406	705 828	1 374 685	(D)
Tobacco .....	27	1	64	192	39	56	25	—
Soybeans for beans .....	2 136	(D)	3 737	14 658	5 945	6 309	9 880	—
Peanuts for nuts .....	113 703	(D)	206 260	686 952	280 143	297 730	579 939	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	77	—	17	8	33	18	5	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	16 304	—	2 875	2 039	17 556	3 925	1 780	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	21 771	—	2 829	2 543	25 007	5 474	2 409	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	12	25	1	420	107	86	—	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	280	78	(D)	11 194	5 350	2 589	—	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	673 469	130 619	(D)	26 361 471	11 999 433	5 821 090	—	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	85	1	80	493	107	140	46	4
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	6 319	(D)	7 904	44 176	15 630	20 125	18 489	3 516
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	210 433	(D)	167 028	1 118 551	420 741	465 461	630 750	101 692
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	89	—	—	20	4	6	2	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	5 274	—	—	660	44	225	(D)	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	18 143 529	—	—	2 365 366	149 604	447 000	(D)	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	4	112	422	177	38	121	4	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	158	2 979	13 646	5 265	932	4 695	197	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	383	7 560	24 306	11 061	2 339	10 269	402	—

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Item	Davidson	Davie	Duplin	Durham	Edgecombe	Forsyth	Franklin	Gaston
Farms ..... number..	929	557	1 224	159	315	621	524	333
Land in farms ..... acres..	98 971	70 579	238 300	22 238	171 589	51 091	136 941	34 860
Average size of farm ..... acres..	107	127	195	140	545	82	261	105
Median size of farm ..... acres..	65	72	70	67	163	42	104	62
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm ..... dollars..	391 877	372 048	457 117	555 036	723 173	268 909	480 183	323 537
Average per acre ..... dollars..	3 690	2 814	2 321	4 228	1 408	3 561	1 947	3 207
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm ..... dollars..	30 466	36 027	68 178	46 292	113 051	28 734	48 566	26 265
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	55	30	93	16	22	60	20	23
10 to 49 acres .....	323	169	398	48	70	289	101	116
50 to 179 acres .....	420	254	393	58	72	209	212	139
180 to 499 acres .....	100	83	218	24	47	49	118	49
500 to 999 acres .....	27	15	81	9	49	13	49	5
1,000 acres or more .....	4	6	41	4	55	1	24	1
Total cropland ..... farms..	878	492	1 068	143	280	583	461	301
Harvested cropland ..... acres..	55 974	42 496	157 125	11 148	115 570	29 955	71 692	19 947
Irrigated land ..... farms..	91	28	139	21	41	77	135	24
..... acres..	1 280	274	6 277	563	5 169	743	5 298	197
Market value of agricultural products sold ..... \$1,000..	23 645	15 651	746 449	7 247	148 778	16 262	60 792	9 947
Average per farm ..... dollars..	25 452	28 099	609 844	45 576	472 312	26 187	116 015	29 872
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops ..... \$1,000..	10 613	5 959	70 627	6 200	64 756	13 620	40 109	3 324
Livestock, poultry, and their products ..... \$1,000..	13 032	9 692	675 822	1 046	84 022	2 642	20 683	6 624
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	371	209	144	52	37	263	154	146
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	147	99	101	22	30	90	52	68
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	146	84	89	16	24	85	59	47
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	120	55	113	24	29	69	67	26
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	59	29	77	12	18	43	43	20
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	26	37	70	5	20	32	43	12
\$100,000 or more .....	60	44	630	28	157	39	106	14
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> ..... \$1,000..	17 290	12 365	574 138	4 203	95 549	9 930	42 265	6 759
Average per farm ..... dollars..	18 611	22 199	468 684	26 599	303 329	16 016	80 658	20 358
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	929	557	1 225	158	315	620	524	333
..... \$1,000..	3 690	1 979	157 400	1 142	47 353	3 708	11 566	1 831
Average per farm ..... dollars..	3 972	3 552	128 490	7 228	150 326	5 981	22 073	5 497
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	376	242	755	74	210	284	265	135
Other .....	553	315	469	85	105	337	259	198
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....	531	337	544	82	116	343	257	195
200 days or more .....	376	242	369	53	71	213	173	137
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory ..... farms..	540	388	324	73	84	263	181	195
..... number..	17 543	15 982	13 717	2 845	3 970	7 247	11 573	8 118
Beef cows ..... farms..	474	336	273	59	78	229	157	165
..... number..	7 528	7 522	6 771	(D)	(D)	3 631	(D)	3 157
Milk cows ..... farms..	34	23	8	2	1	16	7	13
..... number..	2 219	1 284	104	(D)	(D)	428	(D)	1 568
Cattle and calves sold ..... farms..	497	375	304	65	86	248	178	190
..... number..	7 636	6 846	5 712	1 378	2 460	3 319	4 975	3 039
Hogs and pigs inventory ..... farms..	38	8	400	7	29	11	17	11
..... number..	2 020	(D)	2 034 349	35	168 909	81	19 060	273
Hogs and pigs sold ..... farms..	29	3	400	2	30	7	12	6
..... number..	3 329	(D)	7 141 419	(D)	679 678	64	66 535	390
Sheep and lambs inventory ..... farms..	11	4	3	7	3	10	7	4
..... number..	90	27	(D)	228	9	120	153	24
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) ..... farms..	33	31	31	6	11	14	24	4
..... number..	(D)	335 048	327 118	(D)	(D)	(D)	508 065	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold ..... farms..	8	—	98	—	21	—	7	6
..... number..	2 276 850	—	23 431 741	—	7 498 615	—	2 152 944	1 405 000
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain or seed ..... farms..	192	46	492	12	144	78	29	18
..... acres..	4 668	3 991	43 112	73	19 206	2 196	1 955	763
Wheat for grain ..... bushels..	388 470	389 885	3 584 753	5 116	1 538 690	162 867	180 660	61 510
..... farms..	101	30	215	11	75	60	128	7
..... acres..	2 335	3 335	21 893	524	8 879	1 848	10 154	582
Cotton ..... bushels..	106 341	148 742	961 089	25 714	391 034	95 746	435 477	30 357
..... farms..	—	3	42	—	114	—	4	—
..... acres..	—	(D)	14 488	—	38 939	—	182	—
..... bales..	—	(D)	20 637	—	50 127	—	164	—
Tobacco ..... farms..	148	34	336	38	149	123	205	—
..... acres..	2 021	671	10 183	1 709	7 634	2 764	7 932	—
..... pounds..	4 092 219	1 325 142	23 385 738	3 010 716	18 254 047	5 347 288	17 374 396	—
Soybeans for beans ..... farms..	101	45	497	10	159	62	139	15
..... acres..	6 135	5 776	45 347	433	21 796	2 823	16 209	1 585
Peanuts for nuts ..... bushels..	166 854	159 844	1 282 501	9 916	570 104	83 794	353 437	34 410
..... farms..	1	—	1	—	113	—	1	3
..... acres..	(D)	—	(D)	—	10 932	—	(D)	7
..... pounds..	(D)	—	(D)	—	27 550 351	—	(D)	19 927
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) ..... farms..	616	348	303	69	26	327	167	210
..... acres..	16 307	12 234	14 140	2 171	1 054	7 206	7 540	6 798
..... tons, dry..	29 577	22 755	37 063	3 381	1 822	12 176	17 878	12 443

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Item	Gates	Graham	Granville	Greene	Guilford	Halifax	Harnett	Haywood
Farms ..... number..	147	110	637	313	920	339	626	776
Land in farms ..... acres..	62 004	7 194	161 818	103 201	111 882	185 382	116 004	65 212
Average size of farm ..... acres..	422	65	254	330	122	547	185	84
Median size of farm ..... acres..	150	38	124	150	63	185	68	40
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm ..... dollars..	629 836	119 170	385 341	680 322	356 275	679 344	426 026	262 499
Average per acre ..... dollars..	1 469	2 335	1 650	2 110	3 063	1 314	2 512	3 057
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm ..... dollars..	145 495	18 071	40 480	136 602	34 219	110 447	57 960	23 853
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	10	20	40	16	68	27	41	132
10 to 49 acres .....	21	47	105	66	336	61	215	307
50 to 179 acres .....	49	34	252	91	359	81	199	246
180 to 499 acres .....	28	8	167	75	115	75	111	74
500 to 999 acres .....	21	1	41	39	32	37	41	12
1,000 acres or more .....	18	—	32	26	10	58	19	5
Total cropland ..... farms..	128	97	591	287	856	290	569	691
Harvested cropland ..... acres..	49 078	2 754	59 452	79 835	59 752	127 593	72 658	27 751
..... acres..	116	80	512	267	735	243	484	602
..... acres..	46 481	706	29 218	72 348	35 157	104 435	52 193	10 680
Irrigated land ..... farms..	13	1	160	39	167	20	78	45
..... acres..	495	(D)	4 935	1 513	3 403	2 585	3 008	261
Market value of agricultural products sold ..... \$1,000..	44 943	1 094	37 011	180 964	48 872	97 223	94 083	14 646
Average per farm ..... dollars..	305 737	9 946	58 102	578 160	53 121	286 794	150 292	18 874
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops ..... \$1,000..	17 233	237	31 799	52 684	33 313	53 218	44 282	5 459
Livestock, poultry, and their products ..... \$1,000..	27 710	857	5 212	128 280	15 558	44 005	49 801	9 187
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	18	46	144	20	318	69	184	268
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	8	27	65	10	134	34	49	166
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	16	17	74	18	112	18	80	137
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	19	13	110	31	141	40	68	115
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	13	3	84	29	73	9	44	37
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	13	3	50	27	27	23	31	23
\$100,000 or more .....	60	1	110	178	115	146	170	30
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> ..... \$1,000..	32 639	679	21 428	142 370	29 988	75 450	67 436	10 579
Average per farm ..... dollars..	222 033	6 173	33 692	456 313	32 632	222 567	107 898	13 650
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	147	110	636	312	919	339	625	775
..... \$1,000..	11 406	132	13 904	32 933	11 098	16 461	17 874	2 613
Average per farm ..... dollars..	77 589	1 202	21 862	105 553	12 076	48 558	28 598	3 372
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	100	39	330	220	438	225	336	301
Other .....	47	71	307	93	482	114	290	475
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....	52	68	321	116	489	123	299	439
200 days or more .....	35	53	219	57	313	79	222	317
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory ..... farms..	31	57	304	52	468	104	232	525
number..	1 261	1 187	12 709	2 206	16 344	10 018	10 018	19 922
Beef cows ..... farms..	26	45	263	46	392	95	193	467
number..	(D)	515	6 578	(D)	6 626	4 737	(D)	8 757
Milk cows ..... farms..	1	3	18	1	21	5	9	28
number..	(D)	7	1 016	(D)	2 101	448	(D)	2 218
Cattle and calves sold ..... farms..	29	49	284	47	445	101	210	495
number..	558	645	5 803	745	7 529	5 913	5 624	7 976
Hogs and pigs inventory ..... farms..	23	—	22	78	21	30	40	6
number..	30 349	—	2 465	391 672	10 148	88 875	77 884	14
Hogs and pigs sold ..... farms..	24	—	11	80	18	29	37	—
number..	71 732	—	4 190	1 233 293	39 227	308 693	253 145	—
Sheep and lambs inventory ..... farms..	3	—	12	9	14	4	7	18
number..	63	—	112	231	257	(D)	32	549
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) ..... farms..	4	7	18	2	21	11	8	14
number..	(D)	(D)	425	(D)	(D)	102 386	220	334
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold ..... farms..	18	—	—	12	2	19	40	—
number..	4 735 000	—	—	5 090 200	(D)	4 283 528	13 973 775	—
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain or seed ..... farms..	90	5	54	147	129	98	116	30
acres..	10 791	5	1 365	14 105	4 352	8 105	4 690	285
..... bushels..	594 968	307	100 729	1 241 438	273 400	526 356	367 364	20 466
Wheat for grain ..... farms..	35	—	93	109	143	51	60	1
acres..	2 493	—	4 277	11 666	5 953	3 445	4 269	(D)
bushels..	145 884	—	166 668	540 856	273 066	158 068	167 810	(D)
Cotton ..... farms..	64	—	3	72	—	141	54	—
acres..	18 840	—	96	16 964	—	56 876	10 978	—
bales..	19 176	—	125	25 131	—	66 263	14 126	—
Tobacco ..... farms..	2	38	328	179	235	78	242	267
acres..	(D)	66	9 681	8 910	5 450	3 849	9 959	812
pounds..	(D)	105 310	18 858 688	20 074 673	11 799 119	8 473 239	20 671 906	1 326 976
Soybeans for beans ..... farms..	90	—	40	197	96	105	232	—
acres..	9 217	—	2 215	22 805	4 078	8 613	17 883	—
bushels..	278 010	—	51 714	665 467	106 191	211 234	389 070	—
Peanuts for nuts ..... farms..	102	—	—	2	—	153	—	—
acres..	6 824	—	—	(D)	—	19 587	—	—
pounds..	20 710 372	—	—	(D)	—	44 768 026	—	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) ..... farms..	3	40	256	42	487	46	161	396
acres..	53	570	11 216	2 079	13 915	3 470	4 189	6 781
tons, dry..	91	1 132	18 540	4 834	23 702	4 054	8 578	14 483

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Item	Henderson	Hertford	Hoke	Hyde	Iredell	Jackson	Johnston	Jones
Farms .....	488	169	162	100	1 189	217	1 216	154
Land in farms .....	44 511	76 439	66 920	95 327	156 748	18 882	211 011	71 769
Average size of farm .....	91	452	413	953	132	87	174	466
Median size of farm .....	40	215	70	584	68	40	65	150
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	394 121	594 186	593 849	1 149 503	376 292	295 540	418 861	646 824
Average per acre .....	4 808	1 283	1 500	1 171	2 553	3 856	2 490	1 362
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	40 872	115 830	92 429	153 497	37 769	26 502	52 307	97 953
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	58	8	18	7	84	37	87	11
10 to 49 acres .....	219	19	42	10	385	86	401	27
50 to 179 acres .....	147	50	53	18	502	70	439	47
180 to 499 acres .....	50	48	16	12	157	18	192	28
500 to 999 acres .....	10	18	9	21	45	4	61	18
1,000 acres or more .....	4	26	24	32	16	2	36	23
Total cropland .....	456	152	147	96	1 038	206	1 128	136
Harvested cropland .....	27 527	53 366	41 644	82 504	98 410	6 321	137 562	50 200
Irrigated land .....	407	145	127	91	884	180	1 001	124
Irrigated cropland .....	21 780	50 694	35 936	76 045	58 989	3 735	110 980	45 360
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	46 743	60 556	66 083	32 996	99 614	6 236	179 430	107 629
Average per farm .....	95 785	358 317	407 919	329 965	83 780	28 735	147 557	698 891
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	40 141	26 859	18 200	30 050	9 598	5 569	96 719	26 053
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	6 602	33 696	47 883	2 947	90 016	666	82 711	81 576
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	164	8	44	7	371	82	297	16
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	58	4	18	2	201	31	123	16
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	49	11	12	8	182	31	131	9
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	85	20	22	11	125	32	187	16
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	44	21	12	7	89	16	106	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	30	30	9	11	53	14	98	14
\$100,000 or more .....	58	75	45	54	168	11	274	75
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	32 976	49 244	47 881	23 850	69 091	3 358	121 775	73 863
Average per farm .....	67 714	293 117	295 560	238 500	58 108	15 548	100 144	482 764
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> .....	487	168	162	100	1 189	216	1 216	153
Average per farm .....	12 443	11 476	17 453	9 520	24 487	2 759	49 680	32 897
Average per acre .....	25 551	68 309	107 734	95 198	20 595	12 772	40 855	215 010
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	258	123	90	74	548	88	668	108
Other .....	230	46	72	26	641	129	548	46
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....	264	56	75	35	652	123	558	58
200 days or more .....	189	41	57	19	487	78	393	33
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory .....	164	14	44	12	839	83	446	34
number .....	8 508	436	1 529	427	51 129	1 630	14 097	2 371
Beef cows .....	134	11	39	8	705	74	398	29
number .....	2 233	268	(D)	(D)	17 832	(D)	7 826	663
Milk cows .....	16	—	1	1	95	6	7	—
number .....	2 781	—	(D)	(D)	11 399	(D)	41	—
Cattle and calves sold .....	146	10	43	9	809	73	413	33
number .....	2 770	215	758	142	20 361	603	6 287	(D)
Hogs and pigs inventory .....	6	9	20	6	16	3	114	42
number .....	32	72 281	122 692	9 890	(D)	17	206 291	252 715
Hogs and pigs sold .....	1	8	18	6	10	1	107	42
number .....	(D)	159 996	338 418	25 059	(D)	(D)	656 612	1 040 154
Sheep and lambs inventory .....	6	2	—	—	22	1	8	3
number .....	59	(D)	—	—	263	(D)	101	(D)
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	18	1	2	3	142	10	21	3
number .....	292	(D)	(D)	14	1 644 541	(D)	(D)	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	—	24	4	—	10	—	16	—
number .....	—	10 192 800	1 465 000	—	1 589 315	—	4 821 774	—
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain or seed .....	17	101	17	73	99	10	286	76
acres .....	2 130	10 730	1 908	31 990	5 727	19	12 548	10 508
bushels .....	274 700	715 536	151 494	4 106 060	488 767	1 265	915 867	930 974
Wheat for grain .....	—	10	32	57	86	—	214	32
acres .....	—	1 383	4 044	18 989	5 345	—	13 483	4 738
bushels .....	—	72 925	194 781	992 296	307 606	—	647 338	234 032
Cotton .....	—	82	38	9	2	—	71	36
acres .....	—	19 035	18 645	4 212	(D)	—	12 500	18 696
bales .....	—	24 035	25 038	8 551	(D)	—	16 755	26 246
Tobacco .....	11	60	43	—	43	7	508	69
acres .....	63	2 291	1 790	—	576	23	16 932	3 653
pounds .....	121 920	4 185 310	3 831 200	—	1 231 660	42 664	37 719 122	8 465 029
Soybeans for beans .....	1	87	49	73	113	—	527	63
acres .....	(D)	6 368	8 750	36 381	9 185	—	44 717	10 828
bushels .....	(D)	177 666	194 510	1 390 283	285 144	—	1 101 209	313 205
Peanuts for nuts .....	—	117	—	—	—	—	7	1
acres .....	—	11 245	—	—	—	—	99	(D)
pounds .....	—	27 474 324	—	—	—	—	180 260	(D)
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	151	4	51	7	786	71	336	33
acres .....	5 718	17	2 256	288	30 090	946	8 585	1 305
tons, dry .....	11 790	25	7 096	520	68 213	1 516	19 812	2 674

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Item	Lee	Lenoir	Lincoln	McDowell	Macon	Madison	Martin	Mecklenburg
Farms ..... number..	311	447	497	223	309	907	389	295
Land in farms ..... acres..	45 205	149 650	63 177	20 680	22 784	80 041	115 202	29 015
Average size of farm ..... acres..	145	335	127	93	74	88	296	98
Median size of farm ..... acres..	63	110	65	55	49	50	140	52
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm ..... dollars..	370 180	703 098	286 822	207 511	260 995	195 966	355 861	603 586
Average per acre ..... dollars..	2 942	2 020	2 273	2 463	4 286	2 385	1 286	5 456
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm ..... dollars..	36 118	106 597	24 880	22 300	18 386	16 454	77 729	66 666
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	20	34	17	12	34	99	24	26
10 to 49 acres .....	114	104	177	86	123	349	76	115
50 to 179 acres .....	125	130	215	101	119	347	125	106
180 to 499 acres .....	38	88	69	17	33	98	90	41
500 to 999 acres .....	8	49	16	7	—	11	43	7
1,000 acres or more .....	6	42	3	—	—	3	31	—
Total cropland ..... farms..	276	400	442	200	278	848	363	250
Harvested cropland ..... acres..	21 594	110 431	39 147	9 157	11 041	27 023	81 133	15 936
Irrigated land ..... farms..	62	36	22	13	14	43	22	30
..... acres..	1 494	902	275	532	85	206	656	440
Market value of agricultural products sold ..... \$1,000..	26 078	199 573	19 214	13 473	3 447	10 120	62 958	43 002
Average per farm ..... dollars..	83 853	446 473	38 660	60 418	11 157	11 158	161 846	145 769
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops ..... \$1,000..	15 433	72 888	3 130	8 308	1 600	7 857	53 903	34 134
Livestock, poultry, and their products ..... \$1,000..	10 645	126 685	16 084	5 165	1 847	2 263	9 055	8 867
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	101	45	220	86	124	285	26	111
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	35	27	79	51	63	172	29	56
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	45	30	71	29	57	200	20	43
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	35	44	57	21	48	174	62	43
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	26	38	21	8	11	49	46	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	19	34	14	10	1	21	53	12
\$100,000 or more .....	50	229	35	18	5	6	153	21
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> ..... \$1,000..	19 111	146 423	13 329	9 218	2 183	6 638	40 414	32 002
Average per farm ..... dollars..	61 648	328 303	26 819	40 969	7 066	7 327	103 892	108 481
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	310	446	497	225	309	906	389	295
Average per farm ..... \$1,000..	3 935	47 091	2 984	3 412	879	2 597	14 825	9 618
..... dollars..	12 693	105 584	6 003	15 165	2 843	2 866	38 110	32 604
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	139	303	182	90	110	413	276	133
Other .....	172	144	315	133	199	494	113	162
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....	183	170	295	141	185	509	144	153
200 days or more .....	129	111	226	94	134	320	91	110
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory ..... farms..	142	79	309	126	194	486	51	172
number..	3 718	4 308	14 674	3 459	5 620	10 372	1 894	10 052
Beef cows ..... farms..	120	67	266	108	172	449	48	148
(D) number..	(D)	(D)	6 074	1 531	3 135	6 001	(D)	2 984
Milk cows ..... farms..	1	3	19	7	8	27	1	10
(D) number..	(D)	(D)	1 843	434	158	256	(D)	2 489
Cattle and calves sold ..... farms..	132	73	276	115	183	448	51	169
number..	2 447	1 492	7 116	1 321	2 471	4 511	732	4 938
Hogs and pigs inventory ..... farms..	9	76	12	9	6	6	26	4
(D) number..	(D)	315 588	(D)	114	66	24	10 583	26
Hogs and pigs sold ..... farms..	7	75	6	7	3	2	26	3
(D) number..	(D)	953 803	(D)	220	(D)	(D)	22 857	(D)
Sheep and lambs inventory ..... farms..	5	1	6	—	4	30	2	6
number..	20	(D)	79	—	89	749	(D)	91
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) ..... farms..	7	14	9	14	12	36	5	10
number..	86	121 843	(D)	147 751	294	642	(D)	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold ..... farms..	14	9	16	7	—	—	14	—
number..	4 050 279	2 331 982	3 474 790	765 280	—	—	3 219 500	—
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain or seed ..... farms..	46	210	30	33	16	32	146	10
acres..	1 154	23 788	1 700	480	81	90	8 817	322
bushels..	88 455	2 019 526	114 151	43 776	6 581	6 935	719 336	26 041
Wheat for grain ..... farms..	26	124	52	—	—	—	58	20
acres..	1 011	14 434	3 103	—	—	—	3 531	1 688
bushels..	51 916	713 221	152 620	—	—	—	148 835	80 889
Cotton ..... farms..	11	77	2	—	—	—	220	—
acres..	1 568	29 330	(D)	—	—	—	37 139	—
bales..	1 554	45 390	(D)	—	—	—	51 176	—
Tobacco ..... farms..	104	224	—	5	21	577	221	1
acres..	3 494	10 958	—	11	33	2 179	5 402	(D)
pounds..	7 671 790	25 585 401	—	11 250	53 447	3 172 497	13 126 983	(D)
Soybeans for beans ..... farms..	58	212	57	5	—	—	169	21
acres..	3 165	27 000	5 679	80	—	—	9 162	1 187
bushels..	66 824	696 355	126 857	(D)	—	—	251 014	26 488
Peanuts for nuts ..... farms..	1	3	—	—	—	—	278	—
(D) acres..	(D)	55	—	—	—	—	12 757	—
pounds..	(D)	126 808	—	—	—	—	41 361 172	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) ..... farms..	110	65	308	127	170	333	7	161
acres..	2 011	1 819	11 014	3 028	3 710	4 800	144	5 060
tons, dry..	3 849	3 519	21 170	6 446	7 606	10 441	274	9 178

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Item	Mitchell	Montgomery	Moore	Nash	New Hanover	Northampton	Onslow	Orange
Farms .....	306	256	683	472	62	342	369	485
Land in farms .....	25 170	41 792	100 668	175 278	5 435	160 464	63 419	72 515
Average size of farm .....	82	163	147	371	88	469	172	150
Median size of farm .....	35	82	62	86	26	169	67	77
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	147 392	304 634	306 500	794 217	299 973	597 037	291 132	445 793
Average per acre .....	1 984	1 510	2 116	2 076	3 422	1 260	1 729	3 226
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	25 882	33 548	44 399	122 650	53 614	107 568	48 341	46 041
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	47	12	38	44	25	25	21	34
10 to 49 acres .....	133	78	246	111	17	59	129	124
50 to 179 acres .....	91	97	262	153	16	90	130	199
180 to 499 acres .....	29	53	96	88	1	61	58	99
500 to 999 acres .....	6	10	32	35	2	54	20	24
1,000 acres or more .....	—	6	9	41	1	53	11	5
Total cropland .....	298	213	574	412	55	297	334	439
Harvested cropland .....	10 579	14 912	36 534	110 001	4 181	103 760	41 969	40 949
Irrigated land .....	271	155	429	353	53	279	281	373
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	3 792	46 160	113 221	167 761	4 325	92 228	101 549	25 835
Average per farm .....	12 394	180 312	165 771	355 426	69 753	269 673	275 201	53 268
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	3 035	3 599	20 625	85 222	(D)	41 584	21 980	12 043
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	758	42 561	92 597	82 539	(D)	50 644	79 569	13 792
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	101	102	215	86	17	35	81	155
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	59	33	85	29	6	14	51	71
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	58	25	75	38	12	25	32	67
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	50	19	55	55	12	29	41	60
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	21	10	26	40	8	44	23	38
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	15	3	27	39	1	40	25	34
\$100,000 or more .....	2	64	200	185	6	155	116	60
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	2 040	38 938	77 508	116 881	3 182	75 255	75 716	17 937
Average per farm .....	6 622	152 697	113 316	248 683	51 330	220 689	205 191	36 984
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> .....	308	255	684	470	62	341	369	485
Average per farm .....	1 063	4 361	22 629	42 047	1 142	10 616	21 820	3 586
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	92	115	328	291	17	235	210	243
Other .....	214	141	355	181	45	107	159	242
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....	197	134	369	210	39	141	177	261
200 days or more .....	141	100	244	139	35	85	130	172
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory .....	128	138	318	132	1	52	121	247
Beef cows .....	2 527	6 033	9 092	8 337	(D)	2 914	2 530	15 300
Milk cows .....	118	122	280	117	1	46	97	211
Cattle and calves sold .....	1 470	3 313	(D)	4 723	(D)	1 736	1 319	6 130
Hogs and pigs inventory .....	—	3	3	9	—	3	4	29
Hogs and pigs sold .....	—	7	(D)	192	—	12	59	2 483
Sheep and lambs inventory .....	113	130	302	119	1	51	110	231
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	1 562	2 695	4 183	3 449	(D)	1 237	1 382	6 724
Hogs and pigs .....	8	15	36	33	—	42	64	15
Hogs and pigs sold .....	50	22 965	41 552	89 209	—	135 931	144 591	18 323
Sheep and lambs .....	2	14	29	32	—	39	62	11
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	(D)	127 491	131 731	330 064	—	361 215	494 248	29 350
Broilers and other meat-type chickens .....	4	—	12	4	1	1	2	16
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	107	—	142	68	(D)	(D)	(D)	718
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	5	4	9	24	2	2	10	19
Broilers and other meat-type chickens .....	102	(D)	(D)	1 973 442	(D)	(D)	323	106 249
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	—	47	139	38	—	36	3	—
Broilers and other meat-type chickens .....	—	15 413 134	32 753 866	12 759 797	—	8 657 500	724 150	—
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain or seed .....	13	29	84	56	10	89	155	40
Wheat for grain .....	55	825	1 654	3 339	1 035	5 615	12 634	1 892
Cotton .....	5 465	60 467	125 917	222 640	123 670	380 705	988 986	113 779
Tobacco .....	—	8	39	106	—	26	48	50
Soybeans for beans .....	—	405	2 513	9 008	—	2 690	3 280	2 136
Peanuts for nuts .....	—	9 020	112 245	420 039	—	134 984	142 516	96 504
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	—	1	3	58	—	221	7	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	—	(D)	(D)	23 009	—	54 929	3 600	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	—	(D)	(D)	26 218	—	66 788	5 557	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	107	11	102	209	—	9	99	83
Soybeans for beans .....	379	392	3 744	13 374	—	318	3 450	1 891
Peanuts for nuts .....	550 729	860 423	8 305 323	31 334 055	—	653 320	7 837 542	4 062 472
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	2	10	37	185	10	119	138	40
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	(D)	483	2 594	26 885	2 162	8 165	11 727	2 790
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	(D)	12 825	62 866	628 438	59 694	209 104	343 275	60 031
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	—	1	—	25	—	222	2	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	—	(D)	—	2 612	—	22 514	(D)	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	—	(D)	—	6 753 867	—	52 968 237	(D)	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	128	94	257	101	3	10	89	300
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	2 451	3 297	5 243	4 500	26	908	2 372	12 280
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	5 480	6 258	11 346	10 395	(D)	2 330	5 069	21 560

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Item	Pamlico	Pasquotank	Pender	Perquimans	Person	Pitt	Polk	Randolph
Farms .....	67	174	283	202	401	474	188	1 366
Land in farms .....	50 232	86 306	68 861	77 196	120 470	193 377	30 701	148 301
Average size of farm .....	750	496	243	382	300	408	163	109
Median size of farm .....	300	229	95	202	120	150	64	65
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	979 556	730 602	434 172	602 653	504 166	766 717	373 226	281 968
Average per acre .....	1 307	1 545	2 043	1 660	1 694	1 865	2 268	2 530
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	217 457	114 139	54 897	105 775	50 026	111 642	34 128	37 816
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	—	18	20	12	21	22	1	75
10 to 49 acres .....	17	27	69	32	91	105	71	464
50 to 179 acres .....	9	38	90	52	150	131	80	622
180 to 499 acres .....	15	39	66	54	78	107	28	168
500 to 999 acres .....	8	23	27	28	33	53	6	32
1,000 acres or more .....	18	29	11	24	28	56	2	5
Total cropland .....	59	163	255	187	387	436	165	1 151
Harvested cropland .....	43 368	79 312	41 510	70 338	56 452	144 464	9 645	78 249
Irrigated land .....	5	7	33	10	97	41	9	47
Average per acre .....	746	(D)	1 275	416	2 553	2 132	(D)	985
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	22 871	33 107	109 576	38 044	29 042	196 139	3 315	147 329
Average per farm .....	341 358	190 271	387 196	188 338	72 423	413 795	17 631	107 855
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	20 699	32 020	22 665	22 232	24 952	97 675	1 676	15 214
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	2 172	1 087	86 912	15 813	4 090	98 463	1 639	132 116
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	15	10	58	14	92	59	81	435
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	4	10	29	14	39	25	35	210
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	5	21	24	18	36	26	30	184
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	5	24	30	25	77	54	21	140
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	2	18	22	22	37	42	3	46
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	3	24	24	20	29	33	8	46
\$100,000 or more .....	33	67	96	89	91	235	10	305
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	15 613	25 736	86 645	31 118	18 496	143 677	2 928	100 981
Average per farm .....	233 027	148 764	304 018	154 817	46 124	302 477	15 575	73 870
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> .....	67	173	285	201	401	475	188	1 367
Average per farm .....	7 258	6 076	19 174	5 022	7 779	47 422	85	16 183
Average per acre .....	108 331	35 123	67 277	24 987	19 400	99 835	454	11 838
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	45	123	165	144	228	318	68	630
Other .....	22	51	118	58	173	156	120	736
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....	22	62	137	80	222	181	111	788
200 days or more .....	14	34	86	47	135	108	62	588
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory .....	12	25	69	51	178	108	96	909
Beef cows .....	284	475	1 834	1 535	8 293	4 490	4 212	41 612
Milk cows .....	12	20	57	46	161	99	77	794
Cattle and calves sold .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	832	4 358	2 819	1 432	16 991
Hogs and pigs inventory .....	1	2	2	5	5	—	6	37
Hogs and pigs sold .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	6	303	—	215	4 921
Sheep and lambs inventory .....	11	21	63	47	175	100	89	873
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	173	207	1 011	960	3 464	1 905	2 283	19 301
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	4	10	61	22	23	63	3	46
Poultry .....	(D)	1 493	269 766	11 800	12 649	303 393	(D)	33 200
Ducks .....	4	9	57	23	16	60	2	35
Turkeys .....	(D)	(D)	1 480 486	27 783	21 392	1 241 725	(D)	66 966
Soybeans for beans .....	1	3	4	2	4	6	—	11
Peanuts for nuts .....	(D)	(D)	116	(D)	(D)	354	—	223
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	2	—	5	2	5	13	3	77
Corn for grain or seed .....	(D)	—	180	(D)	88	(D)	(D)	1 065 743
Wheat for grain .....	—	1	4	19	—	13	—	209
Tobacco .....	—	(D)	1 775 038	6 691 372	—	5 555 500	—	43 975 897
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain or seed .....	34	124	109	135	50	195	5	159
Wheat for grain .....	13 014	24 079	12 133	19 725	3 307	22 966	40	5 414
Cotton .....	1 330 592	2 388 174	1 086 700	1 800 857	244 230	1 976 547	3 820	431 120
Tobacco .....	26	96	43	85	105	168	9	70
Soybeans for beans .....	12 250	21 730	4 851	11 322	7 739	24 212	243	3 458
Peanuts for nuts .....	634 680	1 206 856	232 505	608 665	323 421	1 048 524	12 581	161 114
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	10	16	1	68	—	96	—	4
Corn for silage .....	5 708	2 836	(D)	12 117	—	30 457	—	72
Soybeans for oil .....	10 356	4 327	(D)	17 388	—	42 304	—	44
Peanuts for oil .....	7	—	57	1	217	245	—	56
Wheat for silage .....	536	—	1 792	(D)	6 346	16 976	—	1 441
Tobacco .....	1 037 278	—	4 244 246	(D)	13 539 016	38 649 333	—	3 246 053
Cotton .....	42	134	91	159	48	271	4	93
Soybeans for beans .....	21 501	42 603	15 047	30 857	6 474	45 463	260	5 953
Peanuts for nuts .....	768 500	1 351 376	452 122	1 003 951	168 146	1 220 878	8 836	163 242
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	—	4	3	73	—	89	—	—
Corn for silage .....	—	91	112	2 347	—	4 122	—	—
Tobacco .....	—	258 672	194 440	7 408 303	—	10 599 766	—	—
Peanuts for oil .....	8	1	49	10	183	59	104	723
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	277	(D)	1 727	255	8 089	3 341	3 563	21 075
Corn for grain or seed .....	694	(D)	3 711	304	15 069	7 930	7 373	42 004

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Item	Richmond	Robeson	Rockingham	Rowan	Rutherford	Sampson	Scotland	Stanly
Farms .....	251	1 004	780	779	505	1 186	123	558
Land in farms .....	54 498	285 186	133 842	107 555	61 147	270 840	53 501	94 709
Average size of farm .....	217	284	172	138	121	228	435	170
Median size of farm .....	98	84	87	73	76	82	126	75
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	335 591	377 101	260 114	321 963	219 606	464 467	459 458	289 043
Average per acre .....	1 360	1 378	1 611	2 341	1 850	1 971	1 201	1 808
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	37 033	60 094	33 848	41 737	21 918	72 062	80 419	45 737
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	17	81	43	31	21	78	3	20
10 to 49 acres .....	57	278	208	245	143	356	32	174
50 to 179 acres .....	99	307	333	324	249	397	37	239
180 to 499 acres .....	55	189	143	142	75	237	21	93
500 to 999 acres .....	17	77	38	30	16	59	15	16
1,000 acres or more .....	6	72	15	7	1	59	15	16
Total cropland .....	212	948	755	710	452	1 039	111	488
Harvested cropland .....	26 484	214 259	54 542	71 024	30 268	183 467	35 826	66 771
Irrigated land .....	17 896	198 738	28 353	42 276	13 048	160 230	31 508	50 303
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	66 100	221 444	37 172	31 828	5 438	732 859	55 056	67 689
Average per farm .....	263 348	220 562	47 657	40 858	10 768	617 925	447 609	121 307
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	10 975	101 348	30 150	13 124	1 291	100 553	12 687	13 810
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	55 126	120 097	7 022	18 704	4 147	632 306	42 369	53 880
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	82	196	210	284	221	149	29	190
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	17	109	99	144	110	106	10	77
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	18	96	87	108	74	101	10	74
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	18	140	154	112	71	157	6	79
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	12	84	84	47	15	83	9	32
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	6	106	50	31	5	91	8	17
\$100,000 or more .....	98	273	96	53	9	499	51	89
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	50 563	161 987	22 823	22 954	5 165	577 584	44 136	51 748
Average per farm .....	201 448	161 663	29 298	29 466	10 228	487 412	355 936	92 906
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> .....	251	1 003	779	779	505	1 185	124	557
Average per farm .....	10 906	55 095	9 976	5 315	-475	144 212	8 128	10 030
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	129	540	385	314	176	698	63	217
Other .....	122	464	395	465	329	488	60	341
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....	124	447	426	465	324	596	67	336
200 days or more .....	83	321	274	335	229	414	40	258
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory .....	87	210	360	531	338	328	35	372
Beef cows .....	4 686	5 162	11 086	24 787	12 802	22 247	1 277	18 454
Milk cows .....	81	184	306	473	308	293	30	345
Cattle and calves sold .....	(D)	2 803	4 954	10 126	6 842	(D)	(D)	9 853
Hogs and pigs inventory .....	1	8	11	36	14	5	1	7
Hogs and pigs sold .....	(D)	22	1 182	3 425	479	(D)	(D)	693
Sheep and lambs inventory .....	83	188	312	497	330	317	31	352
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	3 125	2 306	4 453	9 679	5 666	12 764	375	8 088
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	19	66	16	14	10	320	14	11
Tobacco .....	54 720	327 559	(D)	3 171	79	1 775 702	133 197	807
Soybeans for beans .....	17	60	9	12	3	322	12	5
Peanuts for nuts .....	231 933	1 148 498	(D)	6 005	(D)	7 049 390	470 542	2 668
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	2	5	8	13	15	2	4	9
Wheat for grain .....	(D)	51	220	187	373	(D)	141	179
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	7	21	14	33	12	13	1	19
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	68 321	(D)	353 295	(D)	618 300
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain or seed .....	58	27	2	1	4	12	15	23
Wheat for grain .....	19 349 804	15 469 580	(D)	(D)	659 168	4 695 000	7 392 000	6 104 246
Corn for grain or seed .....	20	408	85	111	36	385	19	89
Wheat for grain .....	2 207	41 982	1 930	5 121	633	30 218	2 967	12 699
Cotton .....	143 166	3 777 047	128 128	464 236	49 952	2 235 703	244 724	1 183 719
Soybeans for beans .....	30	344	153	110	11	212	25	79
Peanuts for nuts .....	2 398	40 652	5 465	6 011	241	16 839	4 257	9 722
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	99 956	1 946 479	236 174	331 120	11 232	808 662	201 921	482 188
Wheat for grain .....	4	90	-	2	3	139	29	14
Tobacco .....	(D)	30 193	-	(D)	341	42 202	14 033	6 380
Soybeans for beans .....	(D)	40 374	-	(D)	365	65 918	21 575	9 497
Peanuts for nuts .....	34	460	368	2	9	349	13	-
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	1 112	16 891	7 432	(D)	24	10 326	664	-
Wheat for grain .....	2 741 490	36 790 904	16 154 235	(D)	36 616	23 680 682	1 412 165	-
Cotton .....	21	617	54	121	22	538	49	98
Soybeans for beans .....	4 077	91 288	2 185	10 364	705	49 472	10 647	17 516
Peanuts for nuts .....	76 863	2 004 075	55 966	259 667	15 226	1 406 910	244 402	466 183
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	5	10	-	4	-	13	-	-
Wheat for grain .....	28	132	-	31	-	202	-	-
Peanuts for nuts .....	50 272	283 991	-	54 200	-	381 766	-	-
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	89	166	385	539	315	299	28	315
Wheat for grain .....	3 216	6 992	11 350	19 367	10 419	12 093	2 100	11 173
Peanuts for nuts .....	6 709	17 286	18 054	36 824	17 130	34 822	5 469	23 162

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Item	Stokes	Surry	Swain	Transylvania	Tyrrell	Union	Vance	Wake
Farms .....	926	1 194	77	174	83	1 142	232	772
Land in farms .....	110 003	129 840	6 624	12 675	54 838	178 173	66 584	113 201
Average size of farm .....	119	109	86	73	661	156	287	147
Median size of farm .....	67	59	56	31	115	50	127	60
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	205 411	220 632	191 647	317 525	850 500	427 785	396 015	507 767
Average per acre .....	2 030	2 154	2 228	4 382	1 287	2 790	1 558	3 886
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	29 456	34 224	24 003	30 544	149 673	45 311	85 781	44 899
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	65	87	15	20	4	83	3	62
10 to 49 acres .....	287	418	21	86	17	475	37	270
50 to 179 acres .....	417	519	33	54	28	386	102	276
180 to 499 acres .....	129	137	5	11	10	133	51	119
500 to 999 acres .....	24	22	3	3	7	39	26	33
1,000 acres or more .....	4	11	—	—	17	26	13	12
Total cropland .....	896	1 104	66	157	70	915	212	709
Harvested cropland .....	50 411	69 842	1 890	6 354	50 769	131 486	26 582	60 188
Irrigated land .....	81	79	6	17	3	38	84	204
Average per farm .....	1 046	1 772	15	58	111	208	3 116	6 046
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	33 786	98 364	2 322	10 314	35 687	283 564	19 567	70 808
Average per farm .....	36 486	82 382	30 158	59 279	429 966	248 304	84 341	91 720
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	23 275	31 914	738	3 432	19 488	30 972	19 052	56 824
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	10 511	66 450	1 584	6 883	16 199	252 591	515	13 984
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	255	320	27	59	13	348	58	220
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	113	181	18	28	1	141	15	90
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	91	157	16	32	8	114	24	89
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	189	168	6	26	15	98	36	91
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	132	92	2	10	6	43	23	77
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	73	92	2	8	6	37	19	44
\$100,000 or more .....	73	184	6	11	34	361	57	161
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	20 122	60 369	1 556	6 346	25 227	232 550	10 918	46 836
Average per farm .....	21 753	50 560	20 209	36 469	303 944	204 350	47 060	60 747
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> .....	925	1 194	77	174	83	1 140	232	771
Average per farm .....	10 279	32 756	766	3 687	10 460	34 123	4 473	14 834
Average per acre .....	11 113	27 434	9 949	21 188	126 022	29 932	19 282	19 240
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	447	561	33	62	56	556	123	421
Other .....	479	633	44	112	27	586	109	351
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....	535	676	40	111	31	567	108	383
200 days or more .....	351	489	33	73	23	409	82	227
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory .....	382	690	35	84	13	601	71	206
number .....	13 893	24 230	601	2 795	286	25 217	2 351	6 938
Beef cows .....	334	597	27	69	12	544	63	180
number .....	4 529	11 084	277	(D)	195	14 416	1 385	3 407
Milk cows .....	8	35	3	6	—	23	—	8
number .....	295	1 515	3	(D)	—	573	—	481
Cattle and calves sold .....	352	649	29	76	14	565	66	193
number .....	10 098	14 933	327	1 348	250	11 000	1 248	3 344
Hogs and pigs inventory .....	21	26	2	3	11	41	2	16
number .....	(D)	15 598	(D)	(D)	39 087	40 728	(D)	2 718
Hogs and pigs sold .....	6	14	2	2	11	35	2	12
number .....	(D)	166 193	(D)	(D)	156 539	98 272	(D)	8 433
Sheep and lambs inventory .....	13	13	1	2	2	23	3	15
number .....	429	385	(D)	(D)	(D)	332	(D)	381
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	27	46	3	5	2	53	1	19
number .....	105 233	477 714	61	(D)	(D)	1 276 429	(D)	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	1	85	—	—	—	184	—	2
number .....	(D)	16 759 891	—	—	—	69 650 167	—	(D)
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain or seed .....	108	161	8	20	44	132	14	41
acres .....	862	6 469	33	216	18 999	24 706	100	1 310
bushels .....	56 663	601 667	1 920	23 489	2 242 422	2 567 745	6 360	100 550
Wheat for grain .....	62	90	—	2	28	148	75	111
acres .....	821	2 792	—	(D)	13 065	34 204	3 706	5 331
bushels .....	36 147	151 013	—	(D)	765 354	1 917 013	168 839	231 343
Cotton .....	—	—	—	—	3	15	—	4
acres .....	—	—	—	—	1 311	7 798	—	(D)
bales .....	—	—	—	—	1 917	10 211	—	(D)
Tobacco .....	501	387	7	8	—	—	125	290
acres .....	6 848	7 588	(D)	22	—	—	4 762	12 360
pounds .....	13 995 518	15 827 599	(D)	38 925	—	—	10 359 877	26 772 812
Soybeans for beans .....	56	122	—	—	51	198	58	197
acres .....	851	5 232	—	—	27 490	53 688	5 297	12 765
bushels .....	20 163	124 993	—	—	1 080 316	1 429 907	130 857	248 179
Peanuts for nuts .....	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2
acres .....	—	(D)	—	—	—	—	—	(D)
pounds .....	—	(D)	—	—	—	—	—	(D)
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	431	670	34	76	4	408	72	169
acres .....	10 234	16 170	583	2 121	55	11 220	1 954	4 491
tons, dry .....	15 609	31 347	1 291	3 880	108	26 526	2 466	7 538

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Item	Warren	Washington	Watauga	Wayne	Wilkes	Wilson	Yadkin	Yancey
Farms .....	282	203	674	827	1 170	385	884	604
Land in farms .....	80 155	107 280	56 508	229 423	127 428	128 108	101 838	40 057
Average size of farm .....	284	528	84	277	109	333	115	66
Median size of farm .....	128	100	38	73	55	104	58	32
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	309 225	657 527	259 563	542 144	258 168	612 811	269 462	142 064
Average per acre .....	1 237	1 302	2 854	2 025	2 178	2 021	2 359	2 316
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	50 423	131 707	24 037	83 337	31 456	114 291	39 458	17 017
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	16	22	125	87	94	29	66	137
10 to 49 acres .....	38	50	264	240	440	101	307	249
50 to 179 acres .....	114	45	220	258	469	100	385	165
180 to 499 acres .....	72	31	51	134	140	68	92	45
500 to 999 acres .....	25	24	8	74	17	55	23	7
1,000 acres or more .....	17	31	6	34	10	32	11	1
Total cropland .....	240	179	636	705	1 005	359	805	578
Harvested cropland .....	35 127	91 734	24 042	146 909	58 837	91 227	67 176	14 215
farms .....	192	159	569	628	787	334	722	525
acres .....	19 033	88 259	8 336	133 956	30 395	84 090	43 075	4 215
Irrigated land .....	52	13	23	80	27	52	56	23
farms .....	2 113	1 881	60	2 431	374	1 892	1 051	53
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	37 607	67 555	11 641	337 089	214 889	120 443	50 160	5 347
Average per farm .....	133 356	332 784	17 272	407 604	183 665	312 840	56 742	8 853
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	13 450	42 006	6 859	72 267	8 805	84 489	22 414	4 280
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	24 156	25 550	4 782	264 822	206 083	35 954	27 746	1 067
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	66	26	192	101	340	54	243	251
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	43	17	94	56	177	29	150	116
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	29	26	145	83	135	38	125	114
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	33	22	147	105	100	45	114	75
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	16	16	45	64	57	26	68	30
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	26	13	29	72	29	29	54	13
\$100,000 or more .....	69	83	22	346	332	164	130	5
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	26 667	48 110	6 140	270 331	171 196	87 044	32 537	3 144
Average per farm .....	94 565	238 169	9 110	327 674	146 321	226 677	36 849	5 188
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> .....	282	202	674	826	1 170	384	883	606
Average per farm .....	7 122	17 009	3 582	59 753	24 709	25 115	12 411	1 208
farms .....	25 256	84 203	5 315	72 340	21 118	65 404	14 056	1 994
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	150	126	256	519	561	261	414	190
Other .....	132	77	418	308	609	124	470	414
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....	142	90	405	344	599	139	466	385
200 days or more .....	90	57	292	249	490	92	325	278
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory .....	144	40	336	218	790	77	536	269
number .....	10 097	1 608	11 186	9 005	33 163	2 282	22 561	4 976
Beef cows .....	122	35	240	191	690	67	462	228
number .....	5 049	768	4 126	(D)	16 937	(D)	9 831	2 584
Milk cows .....	11	—	12	7	31	1	38	14
number .....	896	—	166	(D)	1 375	(D)	3 240	116
Cattle and calves sold .....	135	36	340	198	782	70	512	221
number .....	4 093	607	9 145	4 020	15 757	957	9 464	2 213
Hogs and pigs inventory .....	20	17	8	150	9	27	8	9
number .....	41 325	72 730	21	529 439	112	77 487	188	209
Hogs and pigs sold .....	16	18	3	148	5	25	4	6
number .....	97 877	201 676	(D)	1 896 331	63	223 333	(D)	(D)
Sheep and lambs inventory .....	2	3	12	8	4	2	5	3
number .....	(D)	48	207	127	(D)	(D)	59	30
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	10	3	18	19	88	8	74	14
number .....	(D)	45	358	(D)	1 061 046	(D)	953 353	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	11	18	2	70	272	5	24	2
number .....	3 365 000	4 868 100	(D)	15 795 934	89 648 301	2 696 000	3 265 003	(D)
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain or seed .....	26	101	2	315	89	143	179	8
acres .....	828	30 734	(D)	31 685	2 685	12 695	7 492	25
bushels .....	50 643	3 522 799	(D)	2 119 570	233 814	1 135 853	652 985	2 354
Wheat for grain .....	43	80	—	243	11	145	134	—
acres .....	2 704	25 381	—	27 507	269	12 143	5 131	—
bushels .....	108 676	1 469 002	—	1 276 534	12 078	614 047	271 464	—
Cotton .....	1	20	—	86	—	49	—	—
acres .....	(D)	7 692	—	19 370	—	15 414	—	—
bales .....	(D)	10 023	—	28 543	—	21 920	—	—
Tobacco .....	92	14	237	335	32	210	219	363
acres .....	3 190	449	657	10 720	1 111	10 808	4 764	1 169
pounds .....	6 632 314	1 075 359	1 221 390	24 297 799	2 374 320	26 235 735	9 712 454	1 750 331
Soybeans for beans .....	50	128	1	438	15	238	154	—
acres .....	5 930	40 792	(D)	55 748	549	33 762	8 751	—
bushels .....	146 531	1 425 366	(D)	1 532 319	14 582	999 601	219 912	—
Peanuts for nuts .....	—	53	—	2	—	3	—	—
acres .....	—	2 785	—	(D)	—	(D)	—	—
pounds .....	—	8 355 450	—	(D)	—	(D)	—	—
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	113	9	300	154	707	47	545	170
acres .....	6 292	116	5 363	4 972	19 589	1 671	14 371	2 298
tons, dry .....	12 136	254	10 505	12 904	48 877	3 059	30 429	3 480

<sup>1</sup>Data are based on a sample of farms.