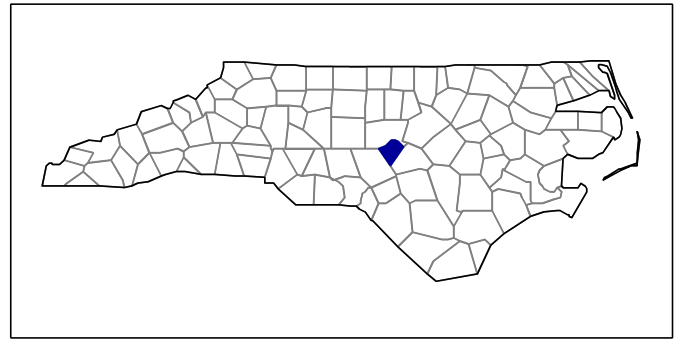




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Number of farms

304 farms in 2002, 379 farms in 1997, down 20 percent.

Land in farms

46,084 acres in 2002, 48,248 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Average size of farm

152 acres in 2002, 127 acres in 1997, up 20 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$22,066,000 in 2002, \$27,018,000 in 1997, down 18 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$9,686,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$12,380,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

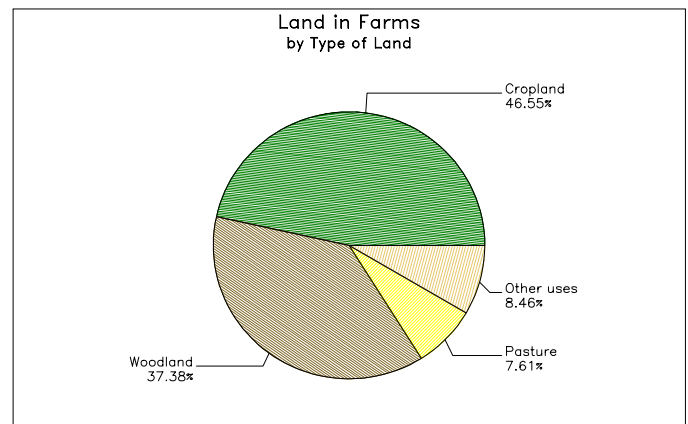
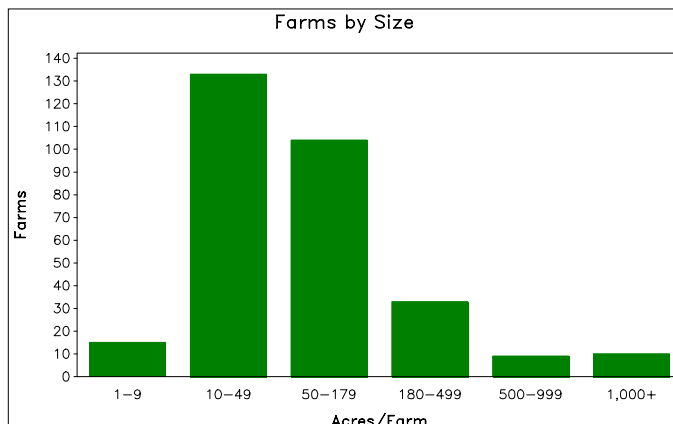
\$72,585 in 2002, \$71,287 in 1997, up 2 percent.

Government Payments

\$111,000 in 2002, \$123,000 in 1997, down 10 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$2,126 in 2002, \$1,983 in 1997, up 7 percent.



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Ranked items among the 100 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	22,066	70	100	2,003	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	9,686	66	100	1,676	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	12,380	57	99	1,694	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	765	64	98	1,852	2,871
Tobacco	6,106	34	86	77	560
Cotton and cottonseed	296	42	55	466	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	499	52	100	1,001	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,729	48	96	859	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	68	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	100	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	10,622	40	95	440	2,918
Cattle and calves	728	58	99	2,661	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	64	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	90	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	13	54	98	2,158	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	85	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,284,400	27	68	248	2,599
Turkeys	(D)	27	71	(D)	2,328
Cattle and calves	3,919	59	99	2,626	3,059
Hogs and pigs	(D)	51	91	(D)	2,926
Horses and ponies	379	60	99	2,422	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	6,150	54	85	1,152	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,233	73	100	2,704	3,059
All Cotton	1,912	39	55	432	663
Tobacco	1,645	34	86	74	563
All Wheat for grain	1,414	60	83	1,420	2,517

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	90
\$1,000 to \$2,499	30
\$2,500 to \$4,999	48
\$5,000 to \$9,999	28
\$10,000 to \$19,999	15
\$20,000 to \$24,999	7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	24
\$40,000 to \$49,999	18
\$50,000 to \$99,999	9
\$100,000 to \$249,999	7
\$250,000 to \$499,999	10
\$500,000 or more	18
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	17,515
Average per farm (\$)	57,240
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	5,540
Average per farm (\$)	18,105

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	171
Other	133
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	274
Female	30
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.8
All operators ² by race:	
White	418
Black or African American	4
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	5

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.