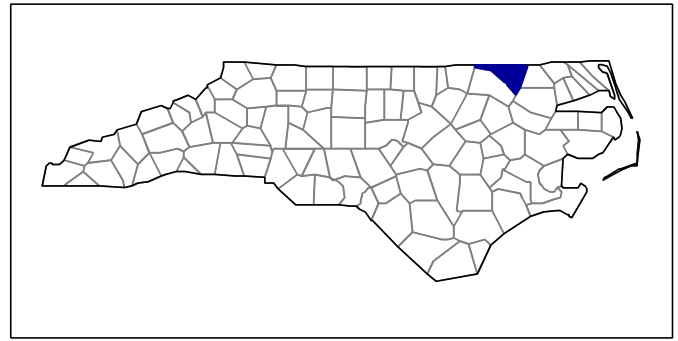




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Number of farms

328 farms in 2002, 404 farms in 1997, down 19 percent.

Land in farms

150,666 acres in 2002, 165,698 acres in 1997, down 9 percent.

Average size of farm

459 acres in 2002, 410 acres in 1997, up 12 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$61,365,000 in 2002, \$98,254,000 in 1997, down 38 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$17,800,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$43,565,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

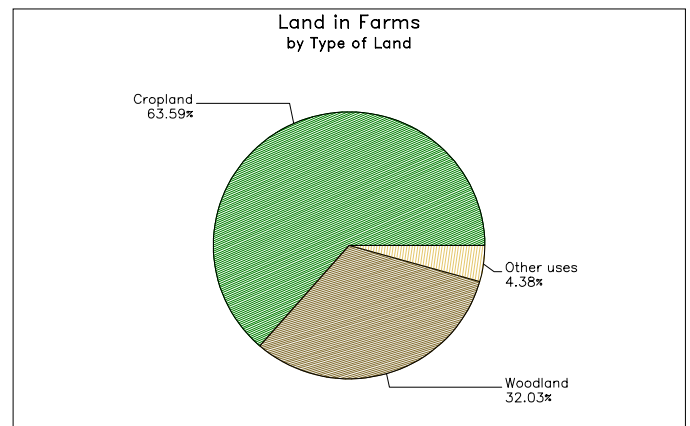
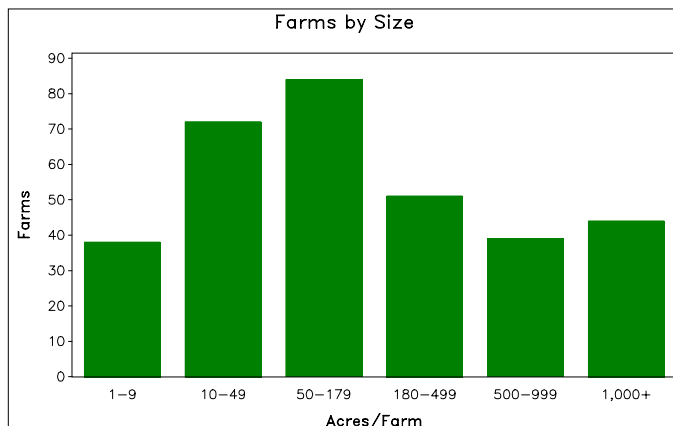
\$187,090 in 2002, \$243,202 in 1997, down 23 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,837,000 in 2002, \$1,769,000 in 1997, up 60 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$17,953 in 2002, \$7,530 in 1997, up 138 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	61,365	35	100	937	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	17,800	42	100	1,260	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	43,565	32	99	654	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,104	56	98	1,745	2,871
Tobacco	(D)	(D)	86	(D)	560
Cotton and cottonseed	9,696	3	55	102	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,310	31	100	669	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	96	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	68	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	4,941	4	100	251	3,046
Poultry and eggs	17,133	30	95	335	2,918
Cattle and calves	417	70	99	2,784	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	64	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	25,986	17	90	113	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	19	47	98	1,952	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	11	86	91	2,893	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(Z)	82	85	2,649	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,769,900	20	68	209	2,599
Hogs and pigs	129,277	16	91	113	2,926
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	42	95	(D)	2,983
Cattle and calves	1,823	76	99	2,822	3,059
All Goats	436	50	99	1,118	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Cotton	63,045	1	55	52	663
Peanuts	12,922	3	31	30	398
Soybeans	6,044	55	85	1,155	2,076
All Wheat for grain	2,071	54	83	1,285	2,517
Corn for grain	1,640	52	100	1,629	2,592

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	59	Farming	247
\$1,000 to \$2,499	30	Other	81
\$2,500 to \$4,999	28		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	27	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	29	Male	291
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6	Female	37
\$25,000 to \$39,999	13		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	25		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	46	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	29	White	365
\$500,000 or more	29	Black or African American	67
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	59,149	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	177,626	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	8,551	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	25,678	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

(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.