

Table 3. Farm Production Expenses: 2002 and 1997

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Item		North Carolina	Alamance	Alexander	Alleghany	Anson	Ashe	Avery
Total farm production expenses	farms, 2002	53,935	845	662	518	541	1,134	495
	1997	59,080	887	670	651	532	1,290	533
	\$1,000, 2002	5,645,471	25,178	44,556	14,866	78,549	28,121	15,499
	1997	6,240,498	25,468	51,172	19,358	78,418	16,242	9,746
Average per farm	dollars, 2002	104,672	29,796	67,304	28,700	145,192	24,798	31,312
	1997	105,628	28,713	76,376	29,736	147,401	12,591	18,286
	Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ¹							
	farms, 2002	36,121	602	431	396	207	823	444
1997	41,515	620	454	495	216	988	461	
\$1,000, 2002	238,389	1,255	792	779	1,182	1,425	762	
1997	268,306	1,945	1,124	1,177	1,048	1,152	867	
Chemicals purchased	farms, 2002	26,680	320	270	288	193	543	382
	1997	28,780	345	257	237	161	654	422
	\$1,000, 2002	220,109	460	204	367	788	837	625
	1997	210,814	525	415	578	477	422	591
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees	farms, 2002	23,959	311	249	236	92	466	292
	1997	25,985	342	128	145	110	375	238
	\$1,000, 2002	160,111	531	120	454	469	1,464	3,085
	1997	144,497	744	300	373	414	740	477
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	11,972	159	195	69	203	320	1
	1997	14,177	204	218	181	184	264	22
	\$1,000, 2002	1,049,514	2,228	6,005	1,207	18,064	1,110	(D)
	1997	965,030	2,274	6,151	2,642	15,255	1,146	63
Breeding livestock purchased (see text)	farms, 2002	5,119	72	77	60	57	159	-
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	57,036	147	301	272	558	254	-
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	7,997	101	176	25	169	213	1
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	992,478	2,081	5,704	934	17,506	857	(D)
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed purchased	farms, 2002	30,938	575	509	251	331	599	106
	1997	28,539	477	454	331	260	468	70
	\$1,000, 2002	1,917,997	8,255	23,541	3,687	38,320	990	119
	1997	2,523,838	8,534	31,901	3,809	49,857	817	83
Gasoline, fuels, and oils	farms, 2002	51,753	845	649	477	515	1,099	495
	1997	54,417	801	628	582	382	1,198	509
	\$1,000, 2002	170,533	1,210	1,295	803	1,301	1,095	568
	1997	219,694	1,381	1,288	743	889	1,048	543
Utilities (see text)	farms, 2002	28,141	367	384	187	272	533	197
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	118,921	773	1,176	352	1,877	603	340
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	farms, 2002	48,838	808	531	400	438	1,017	449
	1997	46,160	730	460	545	303	933	381
	\$1,000, 2002	319,142	3,311	2,506	1,382	3,139	2,797	1,587
	1997	228,923	1,738	1,255	1,439	1,780	1,187	911
Hired farm labor	farms, 2002	16,091	141	124	209	170	273	243
	1997	21,358	270	119	223	115	492	194
	\$1,000, 2002	552,486	2,969	2,330	1,940	6,134	7,639	3,283
	1997	536,818	2,020	1,596	2,797	1,958	3,560	2,955
Contract labor	farms, 2002	5,599	30	52	87	114	137	148
	1997	7,312	49	101	63	40	174	131
	\$1,000, 2002	65,193	315	281	737	871	1,271	1,938
	1997	73,390	162	790	599	95	628	563
Customwork and custom hauling	farms, 2002	6,937	55	90	19	48	111	45
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	42,331	81	224	(D)	513	56	255
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	farms, 2002	11,885	194	179	80	58	165	132
	1997	15,011	205	162	134	120	177	102
	\$1,000, 2002	209,033	600	300	670	560	1,843	593
	1997	199,935	645	589	549	561	448	248
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles	farms, 2002	2,921	59	23	14	32	10	4
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	25,402	27	24	(D)	120	72	(D)
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Interest expense	farms, 2002	14,250	118	272	113	139	203	56
	1997	19,171	217	198	211	142	215	132
	\$1,000, 2002	164,828	922	2,035	577	1,773	1,458	377
	1997	226,795	1,749	1,786	1,328	1,962	1,074	748
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	10,803	98	255	93	122	111	39
	1997	13,836	181	123	123	118	150	79
	\$1,000, 2002	124,251	781	1,851	430	1,636	944	104
	1997	155,723	1,336	1,121	1,047	1,730	815	521
Not secured by real estate	farms, 2002	6,259	23	83	73	34	119	40
	1997	9,397	91	107	135	52	96	84
	\$1,000, 2002	40,577	141	184	147	136	514	273
	1997	71,072	413	665	280	232	259	226
Property taxes paid	farms, 2002	50,423	758	624	475	493	1,082	446
	1997	56,091	873	667	634	521	1,214	506
	\$1,000, 2002	109,636	892	697	681	1,208	3,464	637
	1997	81,725	848	587	728	798	1,242	371
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	26,766	422	378	229	275	466	214
	1997	49,319	730	576	564	371	1,010	402
	\$1,000, 2002	281,848	1,350	3,024	985	2,232	1,997	1,312
	1997	404,653	2,144	2,405	2,028	2,190	2,370	1,082
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	17,713	203	229	159	196	315	133
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	326,025	1,499	2,888	2,152	2,523	2,385	1,157
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

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Item		Beaufort	Bertie	Bladen	Brunswick	Buncombe	Burke	Cabarrus
Total farm production expenses	farms, 2002	393	331	550	270	1,202	442	657
	1997	430	420	638	263	1,267	449	588
	\$1,000, 2002	61,954	73,923	201,222	30,020	23,971	25,192	23,830
Average per farm	farms, 2002	65,795	90,075	185,566	26,728	31,606	26,713	18,008
	1997	157,644	223,333	365,858	111,186	19,943	56,996	36,271
	dollars, 2002	153,011	214,464	290,856	101,628	24,946	59,494	30,627
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ¹	farms, 2002	261	235	421	188	864	282	424
	1997	356	305	481	205	929	366	385
	\$1,000, 2002	6,535	4,842	3,515	1,748	1,335	739	1,504
Chemicals purchased	farms, 2002	8,292	4,989	2,999	2,637	1,078	488	1,108
	1997	315	258	342	171	598	161	243
	\$1,000, 2002	330	343	406	179	440	129	130
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees	farms, 2002	6,455	6,812	5,328	1,520	346	853	338
	1997	5,806	7,576	2,382	906	417	224	209
	\$1,000, 2002	261	225	335	125	444	186	261
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	355	343	469	159	440	125	111
	1997	4,352	2,636	2,302	621	(D)	3,400	485
	\$1,000, 2002	4,300	2,679	1,783	795	(D)	502	504
Breeding livestock purchased (see text)	farms, 2002	23	79	123	48	228	71	198
	1997	41	116	141	65	312	95	147
	\$1,000, 2002	2,323	6,202	59,707	7,477	2,077	870	2,487
Other livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	3,221	6,209	55,200	5,244	817	4,028	1,895
	1997	20	11	29	29	156	33	68
	\$1,000, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed purchased	farms, 2002	980	235	4,705	219	967	73	106
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	4	69	103	21	149	41	143
Gasoline, fuels, and oils	farms, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	1997	1,343	5,967	55,002	7,258	1,110	797	2,381
	\$1,000, 2002	94	114	229	129	769	224	515
Utilities (see text)	farms, 2002	96	180	256	85	585	198	373
	1997	7,317	25,957	81,091	5,508	5,028	4,063	7,739
	\$1,000, 2002	11,034	35,358	74,113	7,037	2,514	11,011	8,953
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	farms, 2002	382	331	530	260	1,090	416	657
	1997	409	379	634	231	1,186	396	554
	\$1,000, 2002	2,376	2,461	3,191	1,033	857	822	950
Hired farm labor	farms, 2002	3,661	3,153	5,214	1,257	1,900	1,006	522
	1997	277	247	273	166	440	228	379
	\$1,000, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Contract labor	farms, 2002	1,910	1,575	3,376	616	681	627	637
	1997	352	320	483	253	1,122	396	609
	\$1,000, 2002	385	336	509	202	862	314	460
Customwork and custom hauling	farms, 2002	4,479	4,850	5,970	1,283	2,384	2,406	2,304
	1997	4,225	4,189	5,600	1,042	1,751	848	781
	\$1,000, 2002	171	135	187	109	344	71	58
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	farms, 2002	183	260	258	86	284	131	103
	1997	9,338	6,577	17,369	4,489	(D)	6,323	3,071
	\$1,000, 2002	7,828	7,806	11,882	2,192	5,600	2,894	1,187
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles	farms, 2002	62	43	104	39	160	35	11
	1997	84	79	155	52	161	27	47
	\$1,000, 2002	688	542	1,948	401	333	301	71
Interest expense	farms, 2002	598	1,274	2,657	423	328	400	15
	1997	73	24	93	34	87	43	12
	\$1,000, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	1,156	453	320	269	91	822	157
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	207	156	169	69	132	93	65
Not secured by real estate	farms, 2002	210	236	219	76	206	57	104
	1997	5,045	5,563	2,777	1,782	861	403	247
	\$1,000, 2002	5,228	4,461	2,734	920	369	245	275
Property taxes paid	farms, 2002	30	39	33	11	47	29	10
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	209	515	412	245	37	251	17
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	1997	147	152	128	89	212	129	244
	\$1,000, 2002	241	184	312	118	198	75	95
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	3,083	1,679	3,169	1,123	1,486	961	1,524
	1997	3,486	3,933	5,919	1,379	1,580	788	438
	\$1,000, 2002	100	114	103	69	200	72	216
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	169	130	242	88	147	54	68
	1997	2,446	1,087	2,833	876	1,462	679	1,440
	\$1,000, 2002	2,498	1,786	4,427	717	1,360	684	348
Not secured by real estate	farms, 2002	92	78	60	35	26	76	32
	1997	138	117	147	52	89	33	39
	\$1,000, 2002	636	592	336	246	24	282	84
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	988	2,148	1,492	662	219	104	90
	1997	351	319	520	255	1,137	398	560
	\$1,000, 2002	411	381	592	239	1,100	442	582
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	1,221	867	1,996	526	2,026	598	1,021
	1997	893	1,010	1,365	355	1,305	382	622
	\$1,000, 2002	222	216	348	112	548	243	359
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	360	371	495	228	973	366	455
	1997	5,466	2,393	8,753	1,379	(D)	1,753	1,277
	\$1,000, 2002	4,722	4,876	9,762	1,668	4,339	3,348	1,169
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	138	158	196	82	264	170	102
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	5,092	5,601	7,322	1,123	2,026	1,934	1,188
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

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Item		Caldwell	Camden	Carteret	Caswell	Catawba	Chatham	Cherokee	
Total farm production expenses	farms, 2002	412	70	129	518	719	1,123	264	
	1997	412	87	121	646	737	1,143	313	
	\$1,000, 2002	10,436	18,319	14,224	20,437	19,386	78,445	10,646	
	1997	16,286	14,520	15,999	22,442	22,809	97,775	10,539	
Average per farm	dollars, 2002	25,330	261,704	110,267	39,454	26,962	69,853	40,325	
	1997	39,528	166,897	132,219	34,741	30,948	85,543	33,672	
	Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ¹								
	farms, 2002	309	57	89	385	373	561	127	
1997	289	64	87	521	524	556	216		
\$1,000, 2002	615	2,369	2,020	1,504	1,080	1,218	153		
1997	547	2,041	2,489	1,831	1,588	1,144	295		
Chemicals purchased	farms, 2002	145	55	79	259	258	454	93	
	1997	143	61	73	347	159	372	87	
	\$1,000, 2002	282	2,229	1,646	563	339	639	26	
	1997	284	2,138	2,032	739	524	380	61	
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees	farms, 2002	168	56	74	305	183	312	106	
	1997	96	66	59	363	155	290	94	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,034	2,477	1,371	268	844	497	37	
	1997	1,045	1,324	1,434	559	656	443	118	
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	81	4	19	73	97	439	65	
	1997	94	11	6	104	163	447	65	
	\$1,000, 2002	495	5	(D)	3,972	1,301	11,621	1,439	
	1997	788	(D)	(D)	1,686	3,402	21,828	641	
Breeding livestock purchased (see text)	farms, 2002	66	3	4	69	85	166	29	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	289	(D)	(D)	(D)	339	361	(D)	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Other livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	17	1	18	7	42	324	41	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	205	(D)	(D)	(D)	962	11,260	(D)	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Feed purchased	farms, 2002	189	26	49	284	439	848	190	
	1997	253	24	23	233	400	820	122	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,878	301	(D)	1,580	4,263	43,088	(D)	
	1997	3,695	(D)	136	1,362	6,245	53,074	(D)	
Gasoline, fuels, and oils	farms, 2002	361	67	126	518	715	1,055	253	
	1997	366	84	116	608	670	1,057	294	
	\$1,000, 2002	455	743	690	1,678	1,678	2,239	197	
	1997	592	666	705	2,460	909	1,755	328	
Utilities (see text)	farms, 2002	128	47	76	317	220	579	103	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	256	412	213	606	628	1,891	262	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	farms, 2002	348	65	122	497	604	1,035	206	
	1997	264	68	86	581	556	888	195	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,311	1,150	1,344	2,064	2,653	4,467	1,946	
	1997	735	1,260	1,364	1,705	1,290	2,385	298	
Hired farm labor	farms, 2002	69	34	40	244	88	306	66	
	1997	111	37	65	347	132	262	52	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,781	2,899	1,959	3,236	2,663	5,364	1,347	
	1997	4,228	1,892	2,065	3,707	3,157	3,296	(D)	
Contract labor	farms, 2002	41	10	19	19	34	61	10	
	1997	40	13	13	68	36	151	34	
	\$1,000, 2002	88	428	71	102	228	220	(D)	
	1997	473	255	92	321	22	708	114	
Customwork and custom hauling	farms, 2002	49	19	16	75	28	98	17	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	(D)	174	(D)	110	169	154	200	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	farms, 2002	111	44	32	114	121	111	49	
	1997	96	40	36	210	108	190	41	
	\$1,000, 2002	224	2,250	492	929	279	623	31	
	1997	207	1,369	365	1,455	327	506	(D)	
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles	farms, 2002	2	7	-	58	12	7	12	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	(D)	171	-	60	63	49	41	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Interest expense	farms, 2002	72	41	30	167	139	232	58	
	1997	58	37	29	248	170	380	35	
	\$1,000, 2002	471	924	(D)	1,128	993	2,258	488	
	1997	470	796	(D)	1,605	1,143	2,133	220	
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	64	22	28	100	89	190	58	
	1997	39	25	11	199	150	272	27	
	\$1,000, 2002	275	599	(D)	839	898	2,115	380	
	1997	258	397	(D)	1,166	947	1,902	202	
Not secured by real estate	farms, 2002	31	23	6	126	57	61	8	
	1997	34	23	20	130	29	155	29	
	\$1,000, 2002	196	325	(D)	289	95	143	108	
	1997	213	398	(D)	439	195	231	18	
Property taxes paid	farms, 2002	357	65	120	489	607	1,080	247	
	1997	393	80	111	630	711	1,051	308	
	\$1,000, 2002	676	307	775	797	676	1,914	230	
	1997	417	203	576	798	807	1,365	195	
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	193	45	53	268	304	579	80	
	1997	311	77	110	580	595	962	257	
	\$1,000, 2002	820	1,479	2,286	1,840	1,528	2,202	231	
	1997	2,155	1,543	1,261	3,447	2,288	6,007	1,143	
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	105	33	52	232	166	262	46	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,098	1,377	1,057	1,274	956	3,551	2,236	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	

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Item		Chowan	Clay	Cleveland	Columbus	Craven	Cumberland	Currituck	Dare
Total farm production expenses	farms, 2002	171	167	1,124	829	276	480	84	8
	1997	175	203	1,091	1,013	320	537	99	11
	\$1,000, 2002	30,463	1,320	34,078	89,643	39,124	52,822	8,095	940
Average per farm	farms, 1997	26,578	4,266	37,014	50,963	97,134	52,720	12,078	595
	dollars, 2002	178,144	7,904	30,318	108,133	141,753	110,045	96,375	117,544
	1997	151,873	21,017	33,927	95,888	159,258	98,175	122,002	54,072
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ¹	farms, 2002	133	135	663	645	216	394	73	7
	1997	139	143	655	850	227	337	78	6
	\$1,000, 2002	2,496	126	1,799	6,325	2,863	2,221	1,469	82
Chemicals purchased	farms, 1997	2,571	183	1,554	5,821	3,704	2,089	1,885	99
	farms, 2002	124	89	388	608	219	316	67	8
	1997	134	64	262	825	197	220	77	6
\$1,000, 2002	farms, 2002	4,261	44	828	4,247	2,413	1,824	935	29
	1997	2,756	71	747	3,774	3,071	1,475	1,368	81
	farms, 2002	137	76	368	654	207	318	64	7
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees	1997	138	40	275	713	214	248	72	5
	\$1,000, 2002	2,316	13	810	3,878	1,545	1,301	987	(D)
	1997	2,094	16	1,353	2,491	1,502	917	1,094	87
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	32	37	224	67	53	80	4	1
	1997	24	49	241	112	49	146	13	-
	\$1,000, 2002	2,004	115	3,217	21,265	7,701	13,520	3	(D)
Breeding livestock purchased (see text)	1997	1,368	529	3,333	18,683	11,314	13,011	(D)	-
	farms, 2002	1	22	11	11	20	11	4	1
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000, 2002	farms, 2002	(D)	54	230	869	487	588	3	(D)
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	farms, 2002	31	21	100	58	35	71	-	1
Other livestock and poultry purchased	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	(D)	62	2,986	20,396	7,213	12,932	-	(D)
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed purchased	farms, 2002	68	113	664	345	115	246	33	-
	1997	46	109	516	249	122	229	26	1
	\$1,000, 2002	5,421	239	14,527	22,919	7,361	16,045	44	-
1997	4,695	1,635	17,737	27,493	9,110	17,794	475	(D)	
Gasoline, fuels, and oils	farms, 2002	171	160	1,080	829	271	467	82	7
	1997	168	173	936	966	289	493	94	9
	\$1,000, 2002	1,121	84	1,145	3,234	1,519	1,517	346	76
Utilities (see text)	1997	1,379	176	1,494	5,331	2,346	1,968	562	35
	farms, 2002	122	64	483	507	214	240	54	8
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000, 2002	farms, 2002	751	28	1,016	1,579	1,077	810	102	23
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	farms, 2002	161	164	1,030	795	270	424	78	8
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	1997	147	129	774	824	278	421	78	8
	\$1,000, 2002	1,677	184	2,421	4,847	2,597	2,296	867	147
	1997	1,640	184	1,552	4,341	2,195	1,920	991	27
Hired farm labor	farms, 2002	74	30	233	307	105	162	33	5
	1997	95	56	216	459	177	264	49	5
	\$1,000, 2002	3,562	35	3,601	6,707	4,027	4,358	821	163
1997	2,637	620	2,728	8,820	5,691	3,970	2,279	(D)	
Contract labor	farms, 2002	34	4	18	154	20	92	5	1
	1997	58	12	55	218	49	91	20	3
	\$1,000, 2002	1,181	5	30	848	573	965	47	(D)
Customwork and custom hauling	1997	1,066	10	269	1,495	456	1,300	(D)	(D)
	farms, 2002	29	14	151	182	61	115	15	4
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000, 2002	farms, 2002	372	10	267	619	481	630	295	129
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	farms, 2002	83	32	203	364	84	160	28	3
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	1997	78	40	200	431	102	98	34	4
	\$1,000, 2002	2,243	34	382	5,205	2,468	2,131	1,352	7
	1997	1,413	50	512	4,384	3,157	1,287	1,138	(D)
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles	farms, 2002	18	8	31	84	32	31	7	-
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	227	18	18	307	279	206	71	-
1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Interest expense	farms, 2002	83	26	201	477	107	135	33	6
	1997	98	44	244	502	108	210	42	4
	\$1,000, 2002	1,044	125	1,257	2,469	1,468	1,446	176	110
1997	1,061	196	1,717	4,321	2,131	2,147	350	42	
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	72	21	161	318	83	73	13	5
	1997	60	35	145	358	70	180	24	3
	\$1,000, 2002	752	114	1,219	1,936	973	1,200	418	68
Not secured by real estate	1997	546	162	1,462	3,023	1,253	1,492	144	21
	farms, 2002	31	15	49	188	49	82	22	4
	1997	62	23	126	225	57	76	25	4
\$1,000, 2002	farms, 2002	292	11	38	533	495	247	129	41
	1997	514	34	255	1,297	878	654	206	22
	farms, 2002	152	138	1,003	787	274	449	80	8
Property taxes paid	1997	171	192	1,028	941	289	524	83	10
	\$1,000, 2002	697	134	1,265	1,430	674	1,165	162	28
	1997	431	159	1,226	1,459	482	824	164	12
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	123	70	456	374	173	215	39	6
	1997	165	144	805	935	278	489	78	10
	\$1,000, 2002	1,089	126	1,495	3,764	2,078	2,388	418	(D)
1997	2,561	327	1,957	5,348	4,079	2,754	1,144	38	
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	82	39	328	282	128	166	36	5
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	1,887	111	3,230	4,366	2,523	3,196	(D)	183
1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	

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Table 3. Farm Production Expenses: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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Item		Davidson	Davie	Duplin	Durham	Edgecombe	Forsyth	Franklin	Gaston
Total farm production expenses	farms, 2002	1,134	704	1,192	237	283	789	574	451
	1997	1,144	684	1,368	201	348	799	631	415
	\$1,000, 2002	24,505	15,661	599,841	5,621	88,065	22,645	40,629	10,469
	1997	23,684	13,990	579,479	5,496	106,727	13,562	51,472	7,933
Average per farm	dollars, 2002	21,610	22,246	503,222	23,719	311,184	28,700	70,783	23,213
	1997	20,703	20,453	423,596	27,344	306,687	16,974	81,573	19,117
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ¹	farms, 2002	870	562	660	144	192	466	334	247
	1997	887	506	881	123	261	659	344	320
	\$1,000, 2002	1,410	1,346	8,316	458	5,047	1,137	2,425	446
	1997	1,336	1,338	8,523	547	6,938	1,354	3,191	564
Chemicals purchased	farms, 2002	520	208	745	94	247	250	258	93
	1997	378	165	859	85	265	351	287	111
	\$1,000, 2002	581	490	7,076	191	8,237	880	2,302	59
	1997	459	319	5,423	233	6,979	538	3,067	166
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees	farms, 2002	487	176	591	101	197	315	327	124
	1997	390	182	821	75	244	338	267	123
	\$1,000, 2002	460	677	4,409	373	3,530	6,582	1,922	505
	1997	558	343	3,637	187	3,359	595	2,290	275
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	228	122	654	34	35	72	96	114
	1997	348	165	606	25	81	184	155	128
	\$1,000, 2002	1,819	2,176	212,901	181	5,567	1,02	1,999	520
	1997	1,634	1,273	166,063	148	6,700	714	4,442	485
Breeding livestock purchased (see text)	farms, 2002	133	66	100	17	8	47	79	59
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	257	167	4,778	(D)	102	18	244	63
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	118	58	586	17	31	25	17	55
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	1,562	2,008	208,123	(D)	5,464	84	1,755	457
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed purchased	farms, 2002	643	516	824	154	112	395	269	303
	1997	605	418	755	96	103	382	243	246
	\$1,000, 2002	7,828	2,371	267,054	353	19,252	685	5,232	4,028
	1997	8,660	4,602	290,313	256	34,941	739	10,599	2,232
Gasoline, fuels, and oils	farms, 2002	1,124	656	1,190	226	279	762	573	432
	1997	1,105	623	1,311	175	318	748	533	393
	\$1,000, 2002	1,589	665	9,147	465	3,071	1,428	1,822	313
	1997	1,335	649	11,201	596	4,657	1,120	2,945	427
Utilities (see text)	farms, 2002	500	337	879	111	179	305	333	174
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	870	368	7,964	191	1,777	504	849	254
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	farms, 2002	1,034	628	1,147	208	260	789	545	398
	1997	971	568	1,240	150	301	649	470	299
	\$1,000, 2002	2,720	3,052	13,323	713	3,818	2,408	5,031	984
	1997	1,977	1,151	9,887	504	4,105	1,194	3,130	535
Hired farm labor	farms, 2002	206	156	636	56	152	133	192	89
	1997	214	185	772	73	235	278	278	46
	\$1,000, 2002	2,031	1,059	27,107	978	16,713	3,647	9,180	1,519
	1997	1,383	648	24,612	1,187	11,026	2,578	7,758	1,106
Contract labor	farms, 2002	19	49	253	22	79	84	55	11
	1997	74	30	321	25	93	30	83	15
	\$1,000, 2002	9	115	4,299	107	1,333	304	611	(D)
	1997	154	125	3,489	196	1,772	144	794	(D)
Customwork and custom hauling	farms, 2002	112	153	319	21	63	15	51	52
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	216	291	2,572	47	1,729	506	1,973	49
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	farms, 2002	160	157	242	31	109	29	100	66
	1997	260	103	502	33	165	181	187	65
	\$1,000, 2002	645	457	6,225	218	8,094	417	2,762	75
	1997	403	240	6,766	182	10,317	566	3,109	82
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles	farms, 2002	73	19	97	9	23	24	8	2
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	50	100	804	22	516	302	92	(D)
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Interest expense	farms, 2002	247	151	422	52	117	85	175	69
	1997	274	175	646	53	206	175	191	82
	\$1,000, 2002	1,322	552	6,885	475	2,561	762	1,227	382
	1997	1,736	869	16,267	307	4,210	853	2,221	441
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	216	136	335	42	85	32	132	60
	1997	224	111	559	39	150	117	158	46
	\$1,000, 2002	1,147	399	5,937	429	1,708	522	786	317
	1997	1,481	717	12,285	229	2,330	575	1,429	305
Not secured by real estate	farms, 2002	90	71	162	24	75	65	65	30
	1997	119	107	226	29	112	71	92	53
	\$1,000, 2002	175	153	948	46	853	240	440	64
	1997	255	152	3,982	78	1,880	277	792	136
Property taxes paid	farms, 2002	1,032	674	1,148	226	272	721	538	429
	1997	1,084	671	1,314	192	329	777	617	387
	\$1,000, 2002	1,409	1,074	3,314	329	1,176	1,316	1,138	718
	1997	939	602	3,156	381	1,065	1,227	1,136	483
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	575	367	716	95	157	359	377	201
	1997	872	562	1,259	168	340	599	543	309
	\$1,000, 2002	1,546	871	18,445	520	5,643	1,665	3,843	575
	1997	2,385	1,355	21,123	467	7,410	1,426	5,247	728
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	326	276	513	63	113	211	150	121
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	15,107	3,007	15,283	526	4,986	1,190	2,089	637
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

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Item		Gates	Graham	Granville	Greene	Guilford	Halifax	Harnett	Haywood
Total farm production expenses	farms, 2002	126	142	674	272	1,085	379	730	795
	1997	174	146	735	331	1,145	396	746	956
	\$1,000, 2002	25,790	1,915	18,645	135,332	35,724	55,147	88,533	9,681
Average per farm	farms, 2002	35,121	990	21,818	143,598	32,136	85,485	88,755	11,297
	1997	204,680	13,486	27,664	497,543	32,925	145,508	121,279	12,177
	dollars, 2002	201,846	6,778	29,685	433,830	28,066	215,872	118,975	11,817
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ¹	farms, 2002	80	90	439	196	800	253	432	678
	1997	121	112	515	279	819	259	531	688
	\$1,000, 2002	2,013	48	1,414	3,991	2,456	4,663	3,551	646
Chemicals purchased	farms, 2002	2,776	85	1,776	4,426	2,564	6,783	4,715	800
	1997	75	58	256	195	545	234	403	322
	\$1,000, 2002	132	53	380	256	501	251	423	377
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees	farms, 2002	3,006	12	1,028	3,971	960	6,490	3,460	408
	1997	3,815	16	991	3,846	1,085	7,773	4,132	243
	\$1,000, 2002	78	46	255	187	409	220	336	217
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	132	9	290	555	555	230	391	314
	1997	1,430	9	445	1,882	2,624	2,574	1,753	418
	\$1,000, 2002	1,383	6	606	2,028	2,134	3,315	1,332	318
Breeding livestock purchased (see text)	farms, 2002	36	25	61	99	242	61	137	122
	1997	42	30	95	102	177	86	238	222
	\$1,000, 2002	2,954	42	894	38,881	1,770	6,177	11,003	109
Other livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	4,037	106	290	30,919	2,335	9,590	8,522	1,101
	1997	13	17	43	21	123	20	48	83
	\$1,000, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed purchased	farms, 2002	(D)	31	21	789	286	796	654	74
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	25	9	49	83	120	44	103	39
Gasoline, fuels, and oils	farms, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	1997	(D)	11	873	38,092	1,484	5,381	10,349	35
	\$1,000, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Utilities (see text)	farms, 2002	52	89	339	136	668	130	395	562
	1997	79	75	279	156	373	144	376	487
	\$1,000, 2002	6,921	734	1,556	53,900	3,101	11,386	37,535	1,577
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	farms, 2002	12,214	162	1,387	58,028	3,487	16,915	36,644	2,443
	1997	118	126	580	262	1,057	369	719	728
	\$1,000, 2002	174	126	606	317	1,036	312	675	854
Hired farm labor	farms, 2002	797	134	1,512	2,428	1,889	1,929	3,307	440
	1997	1,274	103	2,380	4,357	2,509	3,360	3,837	652
	\$1,000, 2002	75	53	324	204	544	176	378	274
Contract labor	farms, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	321	101	682	2,102	903	1,084	1,786	441
Customwork and custom hauling	farms, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	115	121	564	253	996	362	691	667
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	farms, 2002	160	98	554	905	905	287	669	658
	1997	1,396	298	1,982	3,752	3,795	3,735	4,469	978
	\$1,000, 2002	1,590	148	2,334	3,605	2,056	4,082	3,410	834
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles	farms, 2002	48	33	230	161	245	192	253	172
	1997	89	45	350	260	399	170	315	220
	\$1,000, 2002	2,148	171	3,399	8,036	6,161	5,141	6,132	1,933
Interest expense	farms, 2002	1,988	87	4,602	12,665	6,355	10,181	7,704	1,630
	1997	16	9	41	59	111	30	46	72
	\$1,000, 2002	30	11	42	69	97	89	85	22
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	249	(D)	638	1,004	357	595	650	71
	1997	146	9	283	812	291	1,214	1,266	146
	\$1,000, 2002	32	4	16	96	95	40	169	44
Not secured by real estate	farms, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	107	(Z)	24	1,087	217	330	320	31
Property taxes paid	farms, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	1997	51	11	147	109	184	118	122	106
	\$1,000, 2002	88	18	198	149	262	155	217	173
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	2,003	21	2,051	4,934	1,233	5,486	4,583	579
	1997	2,164	13	2,024	4,892	901	7,557	4,535	297
	\$1,000, 2002	14	2	28	34	40	20	57	13
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	1997	277	(D)	128	739	129	328	370	3
	\$1,000, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Interest expense	farms, 2002	51	22	132	146	158	127	215	130
	1997	73	23	201	206	263	202	326	210
	\$1,000, 2002	647	71	900	3,197	1,196	1,945	4,481	356
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	930	62	977	6,810	1,604	4,147	4,334	461
	1997	40	13	86	101	110	103	177	79
	\$1,000, 2002	42	16	97	131	175	137	258	94
Not secured by real estate	farms, 2002	475	62	665	2,415	910	1,195	3,792	218
	1997	560	44	474	3,697	1,234	1,971	3,466	263
	\$1,000, 2002	26	11	101	77	56	49	83	80
Property taxes paid	farms, 2002	41	11	122	107	122	103	187	125
	1997	173	9	235	782	287	750	690	138
	\$1,000, 2002	370	18	503	3,114	370	2,176	868	198
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	124	134	661	247	1,014	346	687	707
	1997	170	118	684	311	1,117	384	731	886
	\$1,000, 2002	493	143	1,027	4,620	875	1,849	1,849	1,412
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	423	58	915	879	1,566	830	1,307	744
	1997	87	39	275	173	576	239	354	245
	\$1,000, 2002	165	99	556	314	983	370	636	817
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	1,027	117	966	4,244	4,313	2,409	3,285	279
	1997	1,749	112	2,218	6,931	4,173	6,778	4,431	1,318
	\$1,000, 2002	54	40	111	137	398	103	340	148
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	1997	2,062	91	1,399	4,107	3,121	3,586	5,433	1,911
	\$1,000, 2002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

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Table 3. Farm Production Expenses: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

[Data are based on a sample of farms. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item		Henderson	Hertford	Hoke	Hyde	Iredell	Jackson	Johnston	Jones	
Total farm production expenses	farms, 2002	523	135	201	145	1,284	251	1,147	151	
	1997	607	183	199	110	1,385	280	1,419	171	
	\$1,000, 2002	40,276	49,026	39,781	30,282	65,649	8,236	124,911	79,991	
	1997	35,473	51,222	48,113	23,922	70,651	3,694	125,035	74,762	
Average per farm	dollars, 2002	77,009	363,156	197,915	208,840	51,129	32,813	108,902	529,741	
	1997	58,440	279,899	241,776	217,471	51,012	13,195	88,115	437,203	
	Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ¹	farms, 2002	430	93	129	94	878	212	758	109
		1997	504	138	142	98	869	219	1,011	143
\$1,000, 2002		1,398	2,308	1,648	4,751	2,864	274	7,584	3,125	
1997		1,373	2,503	1,590	4,438	3,465	237	7,545	2,893	
Chemicals purchased	farms, 2002	334	104	136	93	605	133	703	100	
	1997	429	143	112	97	537	162	822	119	
	\$1,000, 2002	3,560	3,843	1,973	4,895	1,618	499	5,604	3,494	
	1997	3,001	3,339	2,099	2,947	1,117	138	5,512	2,857	
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees	farms, 2002	242	89	79	95	442	138	622	88	
	1997	253	141	120	99	473	88	772	121	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,621	2,187	836	2,700	867	828	5,763	1,300	
	1997	2,685	1,504	695	2,307	1,144	203	3,679	1,033	
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	45	37	56	7	346	34	146	55	
	1997	75	39	28	7	337	39	293	37	
	\$1,000, 2002	552	9,691	8,291	(D)	9,972	25	19,412	24,308	
	1997	502	3,702	6,849	443	8,783	37	13,631	18,454	
Breeding livestock purchased (see text)	farms, 2002	45	4	34	5	189	10	47	25	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	552	(D)	380	3	1,724	4	834	1,529	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Other livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	-	33	43	3	230	24	111	40	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	-	(D)	7,911	(D)	8,248	20	18,578	22,779	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Feed purchased	farms, 2002	207	56	91	27	904	112	636	88	
	1997	195	44	68	15	699	93	658	61	
	\$1,000, 2002	2,171	12,557	9,997	(D)	22,723	68	33,464	23,403	
	1997	2,311	21,916	18,819	1,384	27,722	293	39,689	31,087	
Gasoline, fuels, and oils	farms, 2002	516	134	186	142	1,245	236	1,104	147	
	1997	590	177	175	103	1,284	255	1,310	168	
	\$1,000, 2002	2,166	1,327	1,038	1,357	1,751	227	5,354	1,684	
	1997	2,257	1,746	1,179	1,348	1,970	198	6,367	1,953	
Utilities (see text)	farms, 2002	185	101	109	76	570	104	679	131	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,134	807	706	484	1,709	124	2,648	3,880	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	farms, 2002	498	114	185	134	1,148	221	904	144	
	1997	562	154	161	98	1,029	185	1,124	145	
	\$1,000, 2002	3,432	2,645	1,905	2,906	5,090	778	7,282	2,810	
	1997	3,044	1,760	1,617	1,556	2,603	271	5,841	1,782	
Hired farm labor	farms, 2002	187	63	68	57	299	81	379	90	
	1997	254	118	88	66	329	70	592	108	
	\$1,000, 2002	15,370	5,760	6,647	3,967	6,403	2,384	13,312	5,991	
	1997	11,034	3,886	5,500	2,479	7,780	988	12,429	3,789	
Contract labor	farms, 2002	67	23	14	20	79	42	157	48	
	1997	107	27	24	30	68	37	236	43	
	\$1,000, 2002	667	331	146	563	320	1,117	2,439	825	
	1997	1,232	285	466	648	351	122	3,545	494	
Customwork and custom hauling	farms, 2002	23	33	33	27	224	13	177	42	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	(D)	236	279	912	1,972	67	718	751	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	farms, 2002	106	57	44	45	313	37	369	70	
	1997	153	95	52	57	354	43	497	75	
	\$1,000, 2002	719	2,037	1,226	3,034	1,022	275	8,078	2,668	
	1997	1,230	1,669	1,064	2,295	977	149	6,752	3,035	
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles	farms, 2002	27	16	22	19	49	11	109	15	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	622	444	424	434	58	96	1,103	115	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Interest expense	farms, 2002	111	65	70	51	396	64	328	84	
	1997	183	97	77	79	387	55	531	90	
	\$1,000, 2002	(D)	1,602	853	1,236	2,806	313	3,838	1,292	
	1997	1,598	1,370	1,615	1,202	3,043	249	5,273	2,152	
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	100	35	53	28	358	48	215	62	
	1997	128	62	49	44	327	23	336	67	
	\$1,000, 2002	(D)	463	741	749	2,512	185	2,719	919	
	1997	1,443	724	933	630	2,248	90	3,325	1,541	
Not secured by real estate	farms, 2002	30	43	24	39	62	21	166	36	
	1997	91	57	50	56	127	32	321	38	
	\$1,000, 2002	257	1,139	112	487	294	128	1,119	373	
	1997	155	646	681	572	795	159	1,948	611	
Property taxes paid	farms, 2002	488	131	186	134	1,244	230	1,036	148	
	1997	586	160	192	103	1,362	262	1,341	165	
	\$1,000, 2002	910	660	490	540	1,986	403	2,540	767	
	1997	637	654	396	351	1,279	237	2,070	522	
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	226	88	114	79	619	120	599	106	
	1997	541	176	173	103	1,152	223	1,188	152	
	\$1,000, 2002	2,903	2,591	3,323	1,978	4,489	758	5,773	3,579	
	1997	3,145	5,551	4,819	1,893	4,777	477	8,613	3,569	
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	118	66	73	51	415	53	405	82	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	3,395	2,455	2,321	2,202	4,806	568	7,084	2,753	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	

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Table 3. Farm Production Expenses: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

[Data are based on a sample of farms. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item		Lee	Lenoir	Lincoln	McDowell	Macon	Madison	Martin	Mecklenburg
Total farm production expenses	farms, 2002	306	427	619	274	348	981	307	302
	1997	377	491	639	290	384	1,071	427	374
	\$1,000, 2002	17,515	120,483	22,690	11,175	3,580	10,727	44,559	58,536
	1997	24,434	147,604	18,232	10,456	2,477	7,362	52,976	33,191
Average per farm	dollars, 2002	57,240	282,162	36,656	40,786	10,287	10,935	145,145	193,829
	1997	64,810	300,619	28,532	36,055	6,452	6,874	124,066	88,746
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ¹	farms, 2002	186	285	357	199	261	796	257	208
	1997	215	386	410	186	298	907	376	225
	\$1,000, 2002	745	5,710	1,283	202	486	749	4,474	731
	1997	1,300	6,739	1,073	284	350	917	5,495	1,001
Chemicals purchased	farms, 2002	123	301	165	164	114	622	272	139
	1997	135	295	151	119	138	531	343	112
	\$1,000, 2002	691	6,694	454	232	50	194	6,724	1,191
	1997	1,284	6,012	379	125	74	291	6,597	778
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees	farms, 2002	153	277	138	120	61	416	223	133
	1997	153	371	110	95	111	593	361	116
	\$1,000, 2002	436	2,498	704	1,177	151	194	2,283	(D)
	1997	608	3,044	146	71	117	351	2,971	3,710
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	57	130	78	55	84	122	37	65
	1997	90	121	190	56	57	256	42	48
	\$1,000, 2002	1,921	29,498	1,782	1,094	100	(D)	1,045	118
	1997	2,202	27,040	1,760	630	221	498	1,408	64
Breeding livestock purchased (see text)	farms, 2002	43	9	44	41	44	62	9	28
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	46	465	1,053	34	77	55	71	23
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	29	125	51	14	44	60	29	45
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	1,874	29,033	729	1,060	23	(D)	974	95
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed purchased	farms, 2002	154	190	334	130	212	485	51	197
	1997	164	206	350	139	113	415	85	186
	\$1,000, 2002	6,401	42,230	6,098	603	552	662	6,079	700
	1997	8,356	59,575	8,652	2,731	270	289	7,538	2,067
Gasoline, fuels, and oils	farms, 2002	306	416	619	266	332	871	307	288
	1997	335	449	542	246	368	997	384	332
	\$1,000, 2002	764	3,241	779	257	218	412	2,383	1,594
	1997	1,363	5,185	604	351	191	456	3,602	1,902
Utilities (see text)	farms, 2002	167	292	251	121	117	333	192	153
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	528	2,490	490	183	119	135	1,155	874
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	farms, 2002	257	379	604	251	312	851	290	283
	1997	300	450	539	225	307	724	344	297
	\$1,000, 2002	1,139	4,616	2,959	1,036	562	4,195	5,712	4,053
	1997	1,326	4,881	954	558	373	813	3,527	2,093
Hired farm labor	farms, 2002	82	266	63	47	42	238	178	51
	1997	125	320	140	59	73	381	262	99
	\$1,000, 2002	1,719	7,356	2,015	3,194	345	760	4,112	(D)
	1997	2,508	11,605	1,075	2,586	192	708	5,902	12,130
Contract labor	farms, 2002	39	82	47	10	9	93	72	31
	1997	38	92	80	14	29	179	85	22
	\$1,000, 2002	289	968	43	19	2	699	1,051	183
	1997	170	898	67	216	22	441	1,328	18
Customwork and custom hauling	farms, 2002	38	131	55	23	30	68	74	49
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	189	1,187	195	69	21	68	737	(D)
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	farms, 2002	81	157	154	58	52	69	193	36
	1997	86	198	125	37	51	113	219	62
	\$1,000, 2002	859	5,077	393	284	359	160	4,207	117
	1997	935	6,333	172	191	31	131	4,307	129
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles	farms, 2002	27	50	39	28	7	1	40	18
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	128	991	49	23	4	(D)	365	69
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Interest expense	farms, 2002	59	165	145	51	50	121	119	27
	1997	148	240	140	53	49	249	256	61
	\$1,000, 2002	476	2,546	1,162	376	143	697	1,374	(D)
	1997	1,390	4,243	1,026	347	121	704	2,127	1,068
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	30	118	122	27	49	89	70	8
	1997	133	156	135	39	30	172	141	35
	\$1,000, 2002	361	1,721	1,013	294	(D)	621	809	(D)
	1997	1,146	2,354	718	265	95	540	1,137	750
Not secured by real estate	farms, 2002	44	91	33	27	2	39	78	20
	1997	38	135	36	28	19	124	170	29
	\$1,000, 2002	116	825	149	82	(D)	76	565	157
	1997	244	1,889	308	82	26	163	990	318
Property taxes paid	farms, 2002	266	405	541	262	325	912	291	302
	1997	363	480	609	275	371	992	396	365
	\$1,000, 2002	526	1,607	813	235	275	1,272	775	947
	1997	587	1,019	562	229	233	730	670	654
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	145	264	228	107	95	359	200	159
	1997	323	430	531	323	290	833	390	297
	\$1,000, 2002	704	3,773	3,475	2,190	192	465	2,083	(D)
	1997	1,554	7,223	1,356	1,929	225	893	4,827	6,715
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	111	173	155	73	68	294	155	92
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	1,193	5,412	1,695	4,421	385	1,545	3,408	(D)
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

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Table 3. Farm Production Expenses: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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Item		Mitchell	Montgomery	Moore	Nash	New Hanover	Northampton	Onslow	Orange	
Total farm production expenses	farms, 2002	358	292	820	476	80	333	406	630	
	1997	378	305	844	537	75	405	439	582	
	\$1,000, 2002	3,288	45,865	78,262	89,445	4,287	59,149	74,655	17,894	
	1997	2,313	46,984	112,425	132,043	3,208	90,923	81,199	23,960	
Average per farm	dollars, 2002	9,185	157,072	95,442	187,909	53,584	177,626	183,880	28,403	
	1997	6,120	154,047	133,205	245,891	42,780	224,502	184,963	41,168	
	Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ¹	farms, 2002	270	154	528	276	54	244	293	397
		1997	302	169	438	347	45	349	282	397
\$1,000, 2002		359	442	897	5,280	121	3,791	2,117	1,217	
1997		232	279	2,242	6,191	95	6,490	2,499	1,510	
Chemicals purchased	farms, 2002	184	124	316	268	40	224	294	255	
	1997	258	94	331	338	44	351	233	241	
	\$1,000, 2002	225	298	570	6,626	61	5,497	1,618	285	
	1997	128	142	1,528	7,070	74	8,214	1,766	447	
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees	farms, 2002	140	99	398	280	44	214	248	280	
	1997	151	87	328	288	40	347	235	188	
	\$1,000, 2002	84	242	851	3,160	836	2,614	1,139	1,182	
	1997	96	93	500	3,179	388	3,247	1,009	1,455	
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	31	111	219	137	15	69	121	48	
	1997	42	101	312	107	6	75	124	152	
	\$1,000, 2002	28	11,326	11,773	9,992	27	7,685	21,060	764	
	1997	160	10,546	17,443	12,821	(D)	10,822	14,087	1,445	
Breeding livestock purchased (see text)	farms, 2002	15	37	38	52	3	10	48	43	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	11	123	(D)	335	9	(D)	986	97	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Other livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	16	82	188	90	14	63	94	5	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	16	11,203	(D)	9,657	18	(D)	20,075	667	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Feed purchased	farms, 2002	173	186	593	251	30	123	214	421	
	1997	94	149	488	188	10	104	157	271	
	\$1,000, 2002	165	24,799	40,424	19,656	59	18,768	28,792	4,269	
	1997	91	28,797	66,119	42,323	42	25,099	44,294	4,142	
Gasoline, fuels, and oils	farms, 2002	322	291	809	473	72	328	406	608	
	1997	356	247	787	484	66	402	407	510	
	\$1,000, 2002	215	780	1,975	3,706	126	1,648	1,557	855	
	1997	183	486	2,438	6,583	123	3,388	2,384	1,528	
Utilities (see text)	farms, 2002	122	160	503	297	59	219	284	242	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	49	969	1,494	2,042	267	952	1,191	344	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	farms, 2002	293	280	769	455	62	294	387	630	
	1997	252	197	723	426	65	369	355	434	
	\$1,000, 2002	403	1,733	4,870	5,356	390	3,305	3,002	1,908	
	1997	229	831	2,700	5,208	179	4,692	2,006	1,378	
Hired farm labor	farms, 2002	67	59	280	230	29	117	122	232	
	1997	115	91	304	319	26	205	202	170	
	\$1,000, 2002	530	2,085	6,822	12,793	1,561	5,637	5,268	3,383	
	1997	248	1,260	6,162	15,801	1,303	8,232	4,244	4,121	
Contract labor	farms, 2002	53	31	87	95	20	21	38	43	
	1997	62	62	76	109	13	35	49	97	
	\$1,000, 2002	213	125	648	2,431	54	294	393	50	
	1997	44	162	262	4,464	(D)	373	533	230	
Customwork and custom hauling	farms, 2002	30	16	215	91	4	82	91	80	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	19	90	271	854	22	512	469	210	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	farms, 2002	53	42	171	158	18	124	104	118	
	1997	32	46	167	183	18	225	108	120	
	\$1,000, 2002	62	139	776	7,968	122	2,893	1,855	484	
	1997	13	107	1,822	8,034	65	4,080	1,947	804	
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles	farms, 2002	6	14	92	73	3	35	20	25	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	14	58	433	617	15	415	286	105	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Interest expense	farms, 2002	81	76	132	214	18	156	130	104	
	1997	102	93	379	272	201	201	149	192	
	\$1,000, 2002	362	971	2,518	3,185	152	1,625	1,284	378	
	1997	315	1,123	2,836	5,300	56	4,872	1,753	971	
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	53	68	109	165	8	111	101	78	
	1997	74	86	321	210	20	104	111	144	
	\$1,000, 2002	313	915	1,853	2,084	132	890	954	298	
	1997	298	1,046	2,560	3,116	29	2,495	1,308	743	
Not secured by real estate	farms, 2002	43	18	78	104	12	103	71	52	
	1997	29	35	136	148	8	158	69	92	
	\$1,000, 2002	49	56	665	1,101	20	735	330	80	
	1997	17	78	276	2,184	26	2,377	445	228	
Property taxes paid	farms, 2002	339	271	773	461	69	281	365	572	
	1997	360	288	805	509	71	384	413	582	
	\$1,000, 2002	495	379	1,608	1,466	149	1,146	994	889	
	1997	253	383	958	1,196	90	1,244	521	964	
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	90	139	456	323	38	216	245	293	
	1997	267	261	682	452	56	392	376	486	
	\$1,000, 2002	66	1,430	2,332	4,314	326	2,367	3,629	1,572	
	1997	276	2,239	5,482	9,409	643	7,396	2,534	4,035	
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	81	108	244	186	24	159	203	221	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	753	1,704	3,533	5,021	912	3,057	3,812	1,494	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	

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Table 3. Farm Production Expenses: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

[Data are based on a sample of farms. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item		Pamlico	Pasquotank	Pender	Perquimans	Person	Pitt	Polk	Randolph
Total farm production expenses	farms, 2002	68	158	299	192	374	447	265	1,589
	1997	80	199	336	225	453	524	256	1,696
	\$1,000, 2002	14,156	31,218	78,470	35,181	18,995	109,947	6,854	116,053
	1997	16,026	26,298	94,125	37,369	19,684	158,654	3,914	110,399
Average per farm	dollars, 2002	208,176	197,581	262,440	183,236	50,788	245,965	25,864	73,036
	1997	200,330	132,151	280,133	166,085	43,453	302,775	15,289	65,093
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ¹	farms, 2002	44	138	193	160	226	372	201	752
	1997	57	159	244	189	335	388	170	806
	\$1,000, 2002	2,171	4,578	2,159	3,765	1,813	8,082	477	1,653
	1997	2,532	4,154	2,515	4,204	2,208	10,444	390	1,814
Chemicals purchased	farms, 2002	46	139	188	169	197	342	147	512
	1997	47	158	196	193	260	380	114	435
	\$1,000, 2002	1,948	4,053	2,040	4,713	857	7,294	116	657
	1997	1,960	2,936	1,671	3,489	1,227	8,685	149	676
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees	farms, 2002	40	144	190	170	154	320	120	538
	1997	55	162	198	211	219	343	50	355
	\$1,000, 2002	1,952	4,013	1,325	3,127	615	5,028	252	1,230
	1997	1,312	2,939	1,518	1,700	778	4,200	287	834
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	7	8	98	45	65	106	37	551
	1997	16	28	81	42	60	114	56	565
	\$1,000, 2002	166	195	16,881	2,109	231	16,230	(D)	17,451
	1997	225	171	19,729	2,155	355	15,651	289	15,895
Breeding livestock purchased (see text)	farms, 2002	5	6	36	6	19	64	32	240
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	(D)	(D)	2,268	4	161	876	36	410
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	3	2	70	40	47	51	10	421
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	(D)	(D)	14,612	2,104	69	15,354	(D)	17,041
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed purchased	farms, 2002	18	24	160	60	228	185	154	1,227
	1997	26	46	143	71	179	234	127	1,047
	\$1,000, 2002	321	168	28,457	7,808	1,619	23,296	451	65,283
	1997	1,309	629	35,497	12,809	1,430	46,971	601	64,770
Gasoline, fuels, and oils	farms, 2002	66	151	291	192	344	445	263	1,531
	1997	68	187	310	213	431	499	243	1,548
	\$1,000, 2002	623	1,211	1,833	1,064	1,662	4,471	231	3,184
	1997	827	1,443	1,723	1,229	2,022	8,200	232	2,731
Utilities (see text)	farms, 2002	49	103	222	168	235	359	142	888
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	295	334	1,576	519	712	2,845	167	2,814
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	farms, 2002	63	158	280	182	318	445	243	1,466
	1997	66	164	236	211	370	438	193	1,326
	\$1,000, 2002	1,219	3,483	3,082	2,229	1,802	7,086	788	6,583
	1997	1,048	2,070	1,850	2,008	1,438	7,234	371	3,628
Hired farm labor	farms, 2002	33	59	124	87	189	250	55	234
	1997	36	103	113	117	199	360	87	345
	\$1,000, 2002	1,713	3,416	9,628	1,833	3,105	12,027	1,387	4,890
	1997	2,458	3,115	11,990	2,070	3,175	18,777	452	6,090
Contract labor	farms, 2002	14	33	59	16	51	100	30	45
	1997	15	41	79	33	68	97	46	194
	\$1,000, 2002	379	1,098	1,119	84	442	1,549	98	577
	1997	284	1,376	967	412	382	1,681	151	1,000
Customwork and custom hauling	farms, 2002	9	49	51	66	37	113	20	93
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	117	432	291	662	56	695	(D)	334
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	farms, 2002	34	77	87	140	102	153	15	219
	1997	38	104	136	160	176	213	33	273
	\$1,000, 2002	1,475	4,254	1,603	3,869	1,457	9,431	39	776
	1997	1,284	2,662	1,025	2,371	1,148	12,819	72	863
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles	farms, 2002	12	17	22	17	7	76	14	86
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	181	277	206	261	62	816	22	194
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Interest expense	farms, 2002	31	67	102	119	157	183	79	379
	1997	36	98	159	123	211	290	80	419
	\$1,000, 2002	445	914	2,476	1,270	1,812	3,635	711	3,873
	1997	648	1,282	2,492	1,242	1,580	6,391	309	2,908
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	20	44	86	62	102	136	61	341
	1997	26	51	145	82	176	181	69	309
	\$1,000, 2002	234	608	2,110	692	1,543	2,497	585	3,432
	1997	455	687	2,133	811	969	4,000	290	2,370
Not secured by real estate	farms, 2002	19	38	41	95	81	111	45	95
	1997	22	66	44	76	80	185	23	178
	\$1,000, 2002	211	306	366	578	269	1,139	126	441
	1997	194	595	359	432	611	2,390	19	538
Property taxes paid	farms, 2002	67	138	287	183	342	443	248	1,538
	1997	80	182	297	201	444	491	244	1,649
	\$1,000, 2002	380	527	1,151	608	1,711	1,582	341	2,282
	1997	253	401	943	327	697	1,641	266	1,848
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	40	95	180	131	152	304	106	770
	1997	68	181	272	217	400	514	195	1,432
	\$1,000, 2002	769	2,266	4,640	1,261	1,040	5,878	1,195	4,272
	1997	1,328	2,277	10,400	2,166	2,105	10,300	306	5,142
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	34	76	119	91	172	238	75	510
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	1,280	2,231	4,294	1,709	2,152	6,756	682	8,876
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

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Item		Richmond	Robeson	Rockingham	Rowan	Rutherford	Sampson	Scotland	Stanly
Total farm production expenses	farms, 2002	261	876	872	943	654	1,187	162	716
	1997	296	1,207	916	954	615	1,304	145	665
	\$1,000, 2002	52,760	163,785	22,068	28,136	15,983	555,783	36,885	48,758
	1997	67,794	165,059	28,994	28,304	6,359	595,439	50,914	53,189
Average per farm	dollars, 2002	202,144	186,970	25,307	29,837	24,439	468,225	227,685	68,097
	1997	229,034	136,752	31,653	29,669	10,339	456,625	351,133	79,983
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ¹	farms, 2002	114	717	699	605	420	910	111	332
	1997	155	1,014	780	734	397	949	95	403
	\$1,000, 2002	669	10,403	1,804	2,326	630	11,932	1,223	1,908
	1997	801	8,819	2,529	2,676	579	12,717	1,609	2,368
Chemicals purchased	farms, 2002	107	678	383	335	95	881	93	227
	1997	133	858	467	296	153	926	88	226
	\$1,000, 2002	796	10,081	1,136	1,078	122	10,673	1,471	1,419
	1997	453	8,043	1,234	1,026	61	8,732	2,298	1,498
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees	farms, 2002	86	574	405	225	172	789	94	183
	1997	120	837	451	290	144	873	83	172
	\$1,000, 2002	706	5,060	613	1,180	133	5,772	823	946
	1997	509	3,765	1,377	770	87	5,172	542	1,055
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	83	174	110	208	94	433	38	201
	1997	157	164	160	230	175	392	33	152
	\$1,000, 2002	9,394	30,926	533	1,151	653	174,641	3,356	4,886
	1997	8,212	20,920	647	1,636	839	139,011	5,380	4,207
Breeding livestock purchased (see text)	farms, 2002	11	53	37	143	71	87	6	104
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	384	2,458	110	543	51	10,023	(D)	309
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	74	129	73	65	23	390	36	127
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	9,009	28,468	423	608	602	164,619	(D)	4,577
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed purchased	farms, 2002	128	372	452	615	431	672	86	471
	1997	173	313	308	449	306	591	78	377
	\$1,000, 2002	30,147	54,699	1,463	5,376	4,243	220,048	19,249	23,797
	1997	43,966	60,258	2,579	7,492	1,807	283,234	23,421	29,028
Gasoline, fuels, and oils	farms, 2002	259	856	830	943	600	1,183	154	663
	1997	262	1,169	888	881	552	1,280	131	606
	\$1,000, 2002	928	5,591	1,957	1,233	430	9,197	874	1,544
	1997	1,321	6,708	3,242	1,481	472	14,183	1,333	1,137
Utilities (see text)	farms, 2002	133	517	427	401	371	883	94	376
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	1,071	2,822	883	562	412	8,590	733	1,030
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	farms, 2002	243	834	798	868	572	1,098	140	656
	1997	257	898	749	712	406	1,117	128	484
	\$1,000, 2002	2,160	8,849	2,954	4,404	2,624	19,447	1,493	3,003
	1997	1,497	6,453	2,560	1,615	437	12,793	2,205	2,104
Hired farm labor	farms, 2002	85	292	321	104	141	626	68	148
	1997	110	538	390	390	140	699	79	144
	\$1,000, 2002	2,618	14,532	3,253	5,642	466	38,674	4,237	2,158
	1997	3,907	16,728	5,148	4,267	210	36,380	5,605	3,264
Contract labor	farms, 2002	20	60	41	37	37	255	18	33
	1997	39	197	77	73	57	294	22	31
	\$1,000, 2002	322	1,139	323	178	17	9,781	41	30
	1997	93	1,362	562	649	68	10,897	476	87
Customwork and custom hauling	farms, 2002	23	120	47	102	41	381	25	109
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	89	613	365	316	16	2,026	271	267
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	farms, 2002	28	309	197	169	100	453	40	83
	1997	43	417	270	204	79	503	49	125
	\$1,000, 2002	368	7,348	1,642	550	48	10,912	709	1,007
	1997	417	7,080	1,699	685	40	10,128	1,086	1,420
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles	farms, 2002	19	70	86	45	22	59	16	32
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	84	928	237	154	6	1,439	206	65
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Interest expense	farms, 2002	102	332	251	132	190	554	42	215
	1997	133	443	331	236	148	635	59	120
	\$1,000, 2002	1,468	3,269	1,415	1,060	5,067	8,498	693	3,032
	1997	1,890	4,129	1,767	1,347	513	16,388	1,369	2,082
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	73	171	178	93	135	448	28	179
	1997	116	257	198	200	134	528	44	102
	\$1,000, 2002	1,250	2,202	1,139	910	1,625	6,800	567	2,801
	1997	1,613	2,701	1,142	1,108	443	11,037	930	1,761
Not secured by real estate	farms, 2002	47	220	150	42	77	213	21	81
	1997	55	282	190	56	46	298	26	67
	\$1,000, 2002	218	1,067	277	150	3,442	1,698	126	230
	1997	277	1,428	625	239	70	5,350	439	321
Property taxes paid	farms, 2002	222	835	856	830	610	1,182	157	673
	1997	293	1,103	817	924	604	1,239	132	599
	\$1,000, 2002	465	2,020	1,277	1,287	653	3,713	448	2,037
	1997	623	1,877	924	1,184	615	3,355	368	690
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	120	410	488	444	277	692	67	267
	1997	232	1,041	787	788	484	1,183	123	577
	\$1,000, 2002	1,475	5,505	2,213	1,639	465	20,439	1,057	1,630
	1997	2,741	13,767	3,265	2,370	483	29,303	3,827	3,320
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	69	274	304	187	221	542	53	286
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	1,828	7,203	3,137	2,845	1,632	20,111	991	4,327
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

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Item		Stokes	Surry	Swain	Transylvania	Tyrrell	Union	Vance	Wake	
Total farm production expenses	farms, 2002	918	1,270	84	257	92	1,188	228	852	
	1997	1,082	1,427	107	227	92	1,381	260	926	
	\$1,000, 2002	17,345	67,798	1,078	10,372	27,157	186,848	11,806	45,283	
	1997	21,578	63,854	1,724	6,610	25,360	286,906	12,017	57,514	
Average per farm	dollars, 2002	18,894	53,384	12,834	40,359	295,184	157,279	51,780	53,149	
	1997	19,942	44,747	16,111	29,121	275,651	207,753	46,218	62,110	
	Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ¹									
	farms, 2002	736	865	62	149	73	410	143	530	
1997	925	1,080	66	160	72	629	218	682		
\$1,000, 2002	1,804	2,700	56	217	3,485	3,655	868	2,699		
1997	1,663	3,403	63	190	2,422	4,244	1,193	4,835		
Chemicals purchased	farms, 2002	456	483	44	105	64	433	115	457	
	1997	570	618	48	132	69	475	151	571	
	\$1,000, 2002	534	1,062	12	90	2,338	3,140	729	2,255	
	1997	637	1,420	33	77	1,916	3,762	890	3,219	
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees	farms, 2002	400	523	40	73	55	410	105	514	
	1997	535	513	34	71	67	386	138	529	
	\$1,000, 2002	533	824	19	827	2,212	3,180	515	2,011	
	1997	801	734	(D)	395	2,048	2,172	566	2,692	
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	149	268	10	64	12	421	15	143	
	1997	145	290	(D)	47	12	541	25	130	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,044	9,804	15	187	948	23,842	23	439	
	1997	1,843	5,575	271	1,429	730	36,046	142	(D)	
Breeding livestock purchased (see text)	farms, 2002	114	158	2	38	6	111	7	81	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	327	529	(D)	55	(D)	382	10	(D)	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Other livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 2002	67	142	8	35	8	344	8	62	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	717	9,275	15	133	(D)	23,460	14	(D)	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Feed purchased	farms, 2002	469	723	42	163	24	900	112	475	
	1997	407	582	52	98	22	849	49	337	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,985	23,438	249	753	2,278	110,087	428	1,796	
	1997	2,401	30,041	301	1,174	7,955	192,578	80	6,109	
Gasoline, fuels, and oils	farms, 2002	890	1,202	76	247	90	1,135	215	700	
	1997	1,018	1,331	101	212	84	1,232	241	865	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,302	2,932	81	538	873	4,484	1,157	2,760	
	1997	2,116	3,136	108	898	898	4,038	1,235	4,767	
Utilities (see text)	farms, 2002	427	725	33	107	52	747	118	432	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	498	1,639	10	385	580	6,493	483	1,383	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	farms, 2002	815	1,166	71	217	92	1,045	210	652	
	1997	896	1,094	72	157	78	1,012	225	776	
	\$1,000, 2002	2,458	4,803	193	1,165	2,221	7,696	1,198	4,297	
	1997	2,153	2,508	157	957	1,267	5,418	962	4,695	
Hired farm labor	farms, 2002	283	377	15	72	43	285	72	370	
	1997	465	614	34	64	40	417	160	384	
	\$1,000, 2002	2,254	4,931	51	2,889	4,677	8,888	2,458	13,337	
	1997	3,557	6,365	188	956	2,475	9,265	3,116	11,312	
Contract labor	farms, 2002	50	140	5	18	18	121	18	158	
	1997	61	88	6	33	18	181	10	163	
	\$1,000, 2002	97	1,016	(D)	28	438	1,214	210	973	
	1997	135	589	(D)	35	356	678	163	1,597	
Customwork and custom hauling	farms, 2002	105	92	7	31	38	194	35	52	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	155	255	1	133	399	560	50	120	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	farms, 2002	132	316	16	44	53	187	58	153	
	1997	217	276	20	49	49	238	66	249	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,360	4,071	20	251	3,401	3,152	1,195	4,503	
	1997	713	1,014	24	70	1,984	3,084	803	3,851	
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles	farms, 2002	30	51	-	12	15	29	15	28	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	23	48	-	28	295	96	46	230	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Interest expense	farms, 2002	111	334	2	60	44	434	50	144	
	1997	298	451	19	54	53	427	96	222	
	\$1,000, 2002	856	5,035	(D)	258	992	3,626	539	1,610	
	1997	1,600	2,725	(D)	287	810	6,614	560	2,083	
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	88	257	2	58	24	333	34	102	
	1997	218	340	10	43	27	344	53	111	
	\$1,000, 2002	663	4,578	(D)	246	702	3,212	366	1,507	
	1997	1,002	2,335	(D)	222	344	5,768	352	1,179	
Not secured by real estate	farms, 2002	64	154	1	13	31	173	39	51	
	1997	139	211	9	18	40	159	59	158	
	\$1,000, 2002	193	457	(D)	12	290	414	172	103	
	1997	598	389	(D)	64	465	846	208	905	
Property taxes paid	farms, 2002	903	1,244	72	240	79	1,139	219	781	
	1997	1,027	1,364	99	210	84	1,343	236	899	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,341	1,736	169	451	385	2,166	500	2,417	
	1997	836	1,106	56	148	238	2,603	417	1,176	
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 2002	479	626	30	107	44	691	99	425	
	1997	869	1,160	76	184	86	1,143	210	791	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,101	3,506	39	2,172	1,636	4,569	1,406	4,454	
	1997	2,346	3,820	201	1,297	1,483	12,782	1,322	5,631	
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	354	434	9	82	41	400	76	361	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	\$1,000, 2002	1,577	3,990	32	1,564	1,701	7,672	1,052	2,955	
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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Table 3. Farm Production Expenses: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

[Data are based on a sample of farms. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item		Warren	Washington	Watauga	Wayne	Wilkes	Wilson	Yadkin	Yancey
Total farm production expenses	farms, 2002	299	194	736	721	1,275	313	1,050	618
	1997	325	235	859	939	1,404	430	1,053	745
	\$1,000, 2002	23,823	41,097	6,733	243,872	157,209	55,897	53,835	6,559
Average per farm	farms, 1997	31,625	51,705	7,555	274,725	239,671	88,319	34,416	3,580
	dollars, 2002	79,676	211,838	9,148	338,241	123,301	178,586	51,271	10,614
	1997	97,309	220,021	8,795	292,572	170,706	205,392	32,683	4,805
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ¹	farms, 2002	186	144	616	516	659	212	776	394
	1997	204	149	603	692	659	373	793	621
	\$1,000, 2002	1,890	4,805	599	5,899	931	4,691	3,510	314
Chemicals purchased	farms, 1997	1,321	5,214	564	7,298	1,211	5,300	3,405	414
	farms, 2002	107	156	344	491	432	243	479	270
	1997	180	129	391	627	455	341	487	437
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees	\$1,000, 2002	866	6,342	169	4,873	535	5,293	2,024	110
	farms, 1997	1,037	4,456	221	5,917	708	5,441	1,747	158
	farms, 2002	91	144	207	398	292	213	469	218
Livestock and poultry purchased	1997	142	126	290	620	358	303	499	354
	\$1,000, 2002	263	3,410	183	3,273	204	3,005	1,124	206
	1997	344	2,963	330	3,773	403	4,834	1,071	99
Breeding livestock purchased (see text)	farms, 2002	94	36	140	307	513	20	231	55
	1997	60	43	211	318	699	73	239	72
	\$1,000, 2002	704	1,528	852	61,582	24,496	2,610	7,430	445
Other livestock and poultry purchased	farms, 1997	3,957	5,504	1,340	52,371	33,114	8,661	2,320	409
	farms, 2002	81	12	37	78	150	7	107	33
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed purchased	\$1,000, 2002	423	38	59	3,654	195	169	532	28
	farms, 1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	farms, 2002	32	24	103	243	392	13	129	32
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	281	1,490	792	57,927	24,301	2,441	6,898	417
	farms, 1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired farm labor	farms, 2002	162	56	434	475	1,049	80	632	353
	1997	138	76	357	462	1,069	118	472	208
	\$1,000, 2002	5,788	6,369	542	97,661	98,926	2,724	15,106	1,706
Contract labor	1997	10,251	15,424	595	127,452	169,954	12,609	9,232	225
	farms, 2002	289	183	684	679	1,214	307	1,041	497
	1997	292	219	803	880	1,273	417	1,010	679
Utilities (see text)	\$1,000, 2002	1,590	1,305	415	5,647	4,385	3,150	2,378	472
	farms, 1997	1,276	1,578	560	7,469	4,917	3,891	2,459	246
	farms, 2002	159	147	198	504	722	143	617	217
Supplies, repairs, and maintenance	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	726	553	174	5,137	3,172	1,659	1,346	153
	farms, 1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Customwork and custom hauling	farms, 2002	265	185	678	633	1,170	304	922	541
	1997	213	208	616	809	1,088	351	828	536
	\$1,000, 2002	2,101	2,539	822	10,701	5,648	5,259	3,075	851
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	farms, 1997	1,478	2,791	660	7,853	3,390	3,705	2,526	400
	farms, 2002	116	85	200	304	237	128	270	106
	1997	137	101	299	386	386	233	340	136
Contract labor	\$1,000, 2002	5,429	3,514	956	22,190	7,100	11,138	4,083	245
	farms, 1997	4,166	3,666	1,074	21,022	4,958	15,639	2,881	171
	farms, 2002	19	16	101	89	110	50	69	47
Customwork and custom hauling	1997	32	29	65	158	92	130	46	83
	\$1,000, 2002	(D)	162	84	876	664	2,562	370	151
	farms, 1997	758	992	129	1,880	499	1,894	372	126
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees ²	farms, 2002	31	57	32	115	78	66	172	8
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	141	1,660	30	1,816	172	236	417	10
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	farms, 2002	71	82	142	240	178	118	220	60
	1997	93	82	140	381	261	186	244	57
Interest expense	\$1,000, 2002	1,209	3,781	107	5,544	418	7,135	2,721	186
	farms, 1997	1,388	2,072	142	6,930	1,031	7,086	1,022	58
	farms, 2002	5	26	46	61	45	29	60	10
Property taxes paid	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	(D)	379	8	2,047	33	483	1,864	150
	farms, 1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Secured by real estate	farms, 2002	90	99	107	207	353	100	234	21
	1997	122	127	156	439	507	216	365	135
	\$1,000, 2002	519	2,300	352	6,123	2,900	2,170	4,566	137
Not secured by real estate	farms, 1997	1,094	2,060	400	11,424	5,195	4,527	1,949	357
	farms, 2002	79	79	48	180	302	84	215	20
	1997	47	82	89	317	447	135	277	107
Property taxes paid	\$1,000, 2002	468	1,715	240	2,690	2,594	1,315	3,127	100
	farms, 1997	760	1,169	264	6,146	4,201	2,534	1,525	303
	farms, 2002	17	43	60	87	132	43	130	21
All other production expenses (see text)	1997	86	74	107	268	169	126	186	43
	\$1,000, 2002	51	585	112	3,433	305	854	1,439	37
	farms, 1997	334	891	136	5,278	995	1,993	424	54
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	farms, 2002	290	184	631	681	1,195	287	1,024	577
	1997	314	224	825	856	1,350	369	999	703
	\$1,000, 2002	778	815	818	1,775	2,049	852	1,558	629
All other production expenses (see text)	farms, 1997	648	576	611	1,680	1,565	881	1,020	380
	farms, 2002	143	142	365	418	695	154	521	131
	1997	274	229	699	847	1,145	389	851	586
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text)	\$1,000, 2002	1,562	1,635	623	8,728	5,577	2,929	2,262	795
	farms, 1997	3,092	3,257	752	12,499	10,135	10,464	3,018	432
	farms, 2002	102	107	166	301	431	122	334	121
All other production expenses (see text)	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	\$1,000, 2002	1,764	3,032	577	11,116	6,408	4,564	4,536	967
	farms, 1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

¹ Data for 1997 do not include lime and manure.

² Data for 1997 do not include grazing fees.