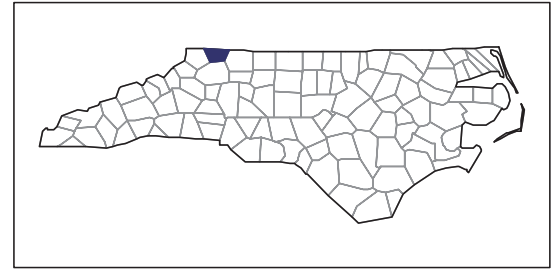


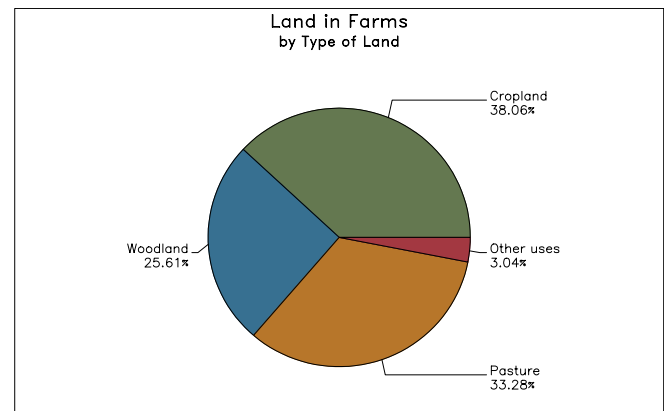
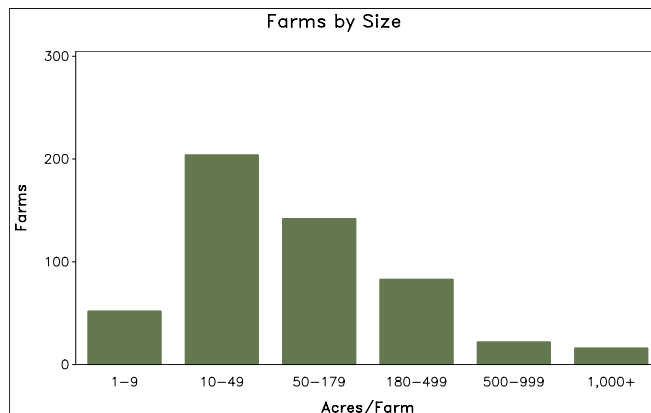
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile



Alleghany County North Carolina

	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	519	544	- 5
Land in Farms	76,656 acres	72,627 acres	+ 6
Average Size of Farm	148 acres	134 acres	+ 10
Market Value of Products Sold	\$33,994,000	\$23,838,000	+ 43
Crop Sales \$18,530,000 (55 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$15,464,000 (45 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$65,500	\$43,819	+ 49
Government Payments	\$389,000	\$418,000	- 7
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,717	\$5,424	+ 5



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Alleghany County – North Carolina

Ranked items among the 100 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

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	33,994	62	100	1,890	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	18,530	50	100	1,503	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	15,464	58	99	1,731	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	196	83	99	2,346	2,933
Tobacco	(D)	(D)	77	(D)	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	53	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	23	91	98	1,986	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	791	73	95	1,187	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	9,562	3	53	8	1,710
Other crops and hay	349	59	100	2,372	3,054
Poultry and eggs	4	92	99	2,754	3,020
Cattle and calves	7,463	12	98	1,425	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	7,911	3	62	568	2,493
Hogs and pigs	-	-	89	-	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	15	75	98	2,438	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	45	63	96	2,270	3,024
Aquaculture	14	41	60	974	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	12	52	91	1,988	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	10,936	26	100	1,622	3,060
Cut Christmas trees	7,954	2	57	5	1,756
Corn for silage	2,061	6	79	636	2,263
Vegetables harvested for sale	965	29	99	532	2,794
Pumpkins	632	1	65	15	1,716
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	22,469	9	98	1,306	3,060
Goats, all	506	63	99	1,449	3,023
Horses and ponies	438	61	98	2,375	3,066
Colonies of bees	344	25	94	735	2,640
Layers	173	89	99	2,710	3,024

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	119	Farming	245
\$1,000 to \$2,499	50	Other	274
\$2,500 to \$4,999	57	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	57	Male	480
\$10,000 to \$19,999	74	Female	39
\$20,000 to \$24,999	26	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	38	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	17	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	31	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	16	Black or African American	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	21	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	13	White	753
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	29,489	More than one race	7
Average per farm (\$)	56,819	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	5,880		
Average per farm (\$)	11,330		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

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.