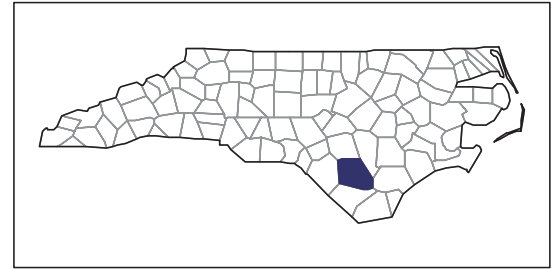


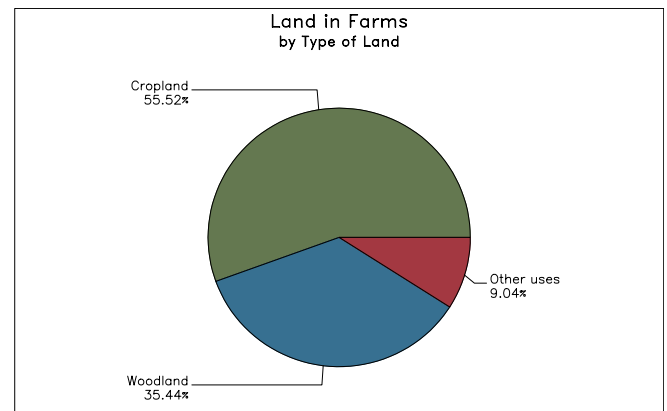
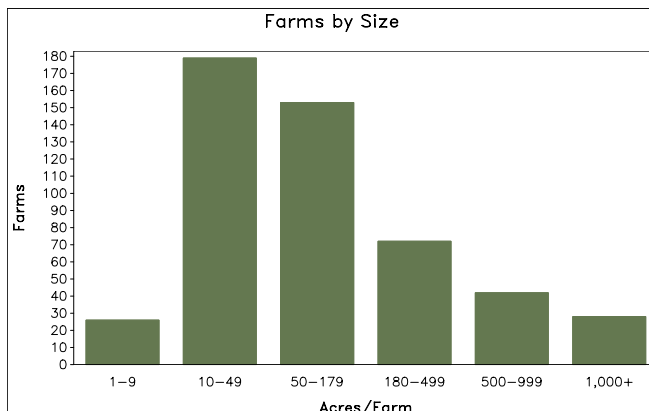
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## County Profile



## Bladen County North Carolina

	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	500	551	- 9
<b>Land in Farms</b>	127,171 acres	145,408 acres	- 13
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	254 acres	264 acres	- 4
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$338,494,000	\$254,649,000	+ 33
Crop Sales \$45,155,000 (13 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$293,339,000 (87 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$676,987	\$462,158	+ 46
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$2,260,000	\$1,020,000	+ 122
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$10,514	\$5,603	+ 88



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

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	338,494	6	100	128	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	45,155	18	100	925	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	293,339	6	99	75	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	10,333	23	99	1,218	2,933
Tobacco	3,157	39	77	103	437
Cotton and cottonseed	1,108	33	53	349	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	592	61	99	1,001	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	22,739	1	98	97	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	4,649	32	95	496	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	53	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	2,577	13	100	672	3,054
Poultry and eggs	76,350	18	99	137	3,020
Cattle and calves	1,590	50	98	2,427	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	62	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	215,311	4	89	6	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	51	42	98	1,626	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	30	72	96	2,490	3,024
Aquaculture	6	49	60	1,081	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(Z)	88	91	2,665	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	25,687	11	99	833	2,634
Soybeans for beans	15,020	32	90	919	2,039
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	5,246	49	100	2,257	3,060
Wheat for grain, all	4,327	36	84	1,032	2,481
Land in berries	(D)	1	97	18	2,237
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	2,980,133	17	75	167	2,476
Hogs and pigs	811,876	3	93	6	2,958
Turkeys	400,346	10	75	71	2,371
Quail	(D)	5	52	(D)	1,386
Layers	(D)	27	99	(D)	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	143	Farming	254
\$1,000 to \$2,499	45	Other	246
\$2,500 to \$4,999	55	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	27	Male	439
\$10,000 to \$19,999	33	Female	61
\$20,000 to \$24,999	13	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	16	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	3	American Indian or Alaska Native	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	15	Black or African American	67
\$250,000 to \$499,999	26	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	109	White	607
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	269,141	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	538,282	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	75,248		
Average per farm (\$)	150,496		

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.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. <sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.